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Big security review for servicemen

● Security measures for British servicemen and their families in West Germany are under intensive review

● The killings of three RAF men in The Netherlands will be a key issue in talks between British and Irish Ministers

● The Dutch Minister of Justice rejected calls for the reimposition of stricter checks on borders

● Relatives of the three men who were seriously injured in the IRA attacks flew out to visit them in hospital

By Michael Evans in London and Richard Owen in Amsterdam

The security of service personnel and their families based in West Germany was under intense review in London and on the Continent yesterday after Sunday's IRA attacks in Holland in which three RAF men died.

Officials said the murders had called into question the effectiveness of European police and intelligence co-ordination against terrorists who were able to exploit the growing relaxation of border controls in Europe.

In spite of a heightened sense of danger amongst the 77,000 servicemen and their 160,000 dependants after the bombing and shootings, which also left three RAF men seriously wounded, senior officers were adamant that the IRA was not going to win a "moral victory" by forcing service personnel to stay inside barracks.

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However, all British service bases in West Germany continued to maintain a top security alert. Warnings to personnel and their families not to enter The Netherlands remained in force.

EEC interior and justice ministers are to review anti-terrorist policy when they meet in Bonn at the start of next month, officials said.

However, Mr Frederick Korthals-Altas, the Dutch Minister of Justice, rejected calls for a reimposition of stricter border checks.

Mr Korthals-Altas said that in an era of frontier-free movement as European integration approached in 1992, travellers would have to alter their habits and become more vigilant. This applied particularly to British service personnel men travelling to the Netherlands from British bases near the German-Dutch border.

Justice ministry officials confirmed that Mr Korthals-Altas was in close touch with Mr Douglas Hurd, the Home Secretary, and with Herr Friedrich Zimmermann, the West German interior minister.

There was wide concern about the failure to prevent the murders in spite of warnings by Mr Hurd at the last meeting of the Trevi Group on cross-border terrorism and crime in Copenhagen last December of an IRA terror campaign in Europe.

Mr Korthals-Altas said it was difficult to control terrorists who "come and go like thieves in the night". The answer lay in effective co-ordination and exchange of intelligence.

In London, Mr Ian Stewart, Minister of State for the Armed Forces, said that he would be looking into the question of car registration plates since it was clear the IRA had no difficulty in identifying the cars involved in the incidents as belonging to British military personnel.

There are an estimated 50,000 cars in West Germany belonging to British service personnel and their families. All carry a GB sticker and the letter B as the final letter in the registration under a Status of Forces Agreement made in the 1950s.

However, the Ministry of Defence said yesterday that a change in the present arrangements would have to be renegotiated with the West German authorities.

Dutchpolice and and military and civilian units were examining the scenes of the murders and interviewing nearby residents and witnesses.

The Dutch police said that in the first incident, at 1.15am, three off-duty airmen at Roermond were raked with automatic gunfire as they returned to their British Forces-registered car from the King George public house, a popular rendezvous.

In the second incident, 15 minutes later, a bomb went off in a car parked outside a discoteque in the town hall square at Nieuw Bergen, 30 miles to the north, killing two airmen and badly injuring a third. Police believe the injured man may may have triggered the blast when he opened the front passenger door.

However, the police are unsure whether the RAF was singled out for attack or whether the IRA simply targeted personnel from nearby British bases.

Senior Aircraftsmen Richard Garth, aged 22, single, of Dewsbury, West Yorkshire, and Ifan Lewis, aged 19, single, of Llanfairpwllgwyngyll, Anglesey, north Wales, who were seriously wounded in the shooting at Roermond, were moved yesterday from a Dutch hospital to the RAF hospital at Wegberg, near the joint British and Nato headquarters at Rheindahlen. Relatives were being flown to West Germany.

Senior arcraftman Andrew Kelly, aged 21, who survived the car bomb explosion, was helping with inquiries.

The Dutch police were being assisted in the search for the killers of senior aircraftmen John Reid, aged 22, John Baxter, aged 21 and Ian Shinner, aged 20, by British intelligence and RUC Special Branch who supplied terrorist profiles and background on IRA gunmen either known to be missing from their normal addresses or thought to be based as "sleeper units" in West Germany or the Netherlands.

Families attack 'IRA cowards'

By Ruth Gledhill

The families of the three servicemen killed in bomb and machine gun attacks on Sunday yesterday condemned the "sewer-like mentality of the IRA".

They also said that the TV programme examining the killing of three IRA members by the SAS in Gibraltar should never have been shown.

Mrs Elizabeth Shinner, whose grandson Ian Shinner, aged 20, a senior aircraftman, was killed in the machine gun attack, said: "The IRA boast about their deeds as if they were brave heroes, but they are cowards. They are like rats from the sewer, who come out of their dark corner to attack vulnerable and innocent people who cannot defend themselves. They rush back into their corners and squeal if they are caught."

The parents of John Millar Reid, aged 22, from Lenzie near Glasgow, said his death was "pointless and futile". His friend, John Baxter, from Moss Park, Glasgow, was also killed when a bomb exploded under their car as they left a nightclub in Nieuw Bergen, the Netherlands.

A second television programme on the SAS shooting of three IRA terrorists in Gibraltar may be made by BBC Northern Ireland.

An earlier film by Thames Television led to the Government accusing the Independent Broadcasting Authority of "trial by television".

Mr Reid's mother, Mrs Margaret Reid, said: "If the IRA have the courage to face us we will meet them. They should come to John's funeral and see what they have done. They are nothing but cowards."

She said the Thames Television programme *Death on the Rock*, which alleged that three IRA terrorists were trying to surrender when shot dead by the SAS, should never have been shown.

Relatives of the three men who were seriously injured in the attacks flew to West Germany yesterday to hear accounts of the attacks.

Richard Garth, an RAF guard who was injured at the same time as Ian Shinner was killed when their car was machine-gunned in the Dutch town of Roermond, told Paul Shinner, aged 21, the dead man's brother, that he escaped being killed because Shinner insisted on driving his car because he had not been drinking.

Richard Garth, who was hit by one bullet, was taken off the critical list yesterday.

Senior Aircraftman Ifan Lewis, who was hit by three bullets, was yesterday undergoing a four-hour emergency operation to save his left foot.

Senior Aircraftman Andrew Kelly, who was injured in the car bomb blast in Nieuw-Bergen, was still in a civilian hospital in the Netherlands. He was described as "very seriously ill but stable".

Sporting Princess



A casual Princess of Wales joining in the traditional polo spectator's pastime of "treading in" the turf, at the Guards' Polo Club, Windsor, yesterday. (Photograph: James Gray)

Union claims big support but ferries still sail

By Tim Jones

The National Union of Seamen, which today faces the possible sequestration of its assets, said last night that 5,000 members at 21 British ports had virtually halted ferry sailings from Britain.

The claim came as two P&O ferries, the Pride of Bruges and the Pride of Kent, which had broken the three-month strike at Dover completed their return trips to Zebrugge carrying both freight and passengers.

As P&O continued with its plans to bring all its ships back into service, the Sealink ferry company was counting the cost of losing one of the busiest weekends in it calendar. Sealink is not involved in the NUS dispute with P&O.

Today, Sealink expects the High Court to order the sequestration of NUS funds for breaking an order not to interfere with its business. The company said: "It is ironic that we are having to watch P&O ships sail past our vessels which cannot move."

Apart from a service to the Isle of Wight, crewed by National Union of Railwaymen members, Sealink's two French-crewed ships were operating a restricted service from Dover.

At Portsmouth and Plymouth, Britanny Ferries services were not affected, neither were the Olau Line operations from Sheerness.

Last night, the NUS said the support it was receiving from members and from the public showed that "justice is on our side". The union added: "Our members would go back to work tomorrow if P&O heeded the growing clamour to take this dispute to independent arbitration."

It said Sir Jeffrey Sterling, P&O chairman, would "arrogantly let strikers' families starve and see the town of Dover divided rather than agree to any compromise".

As strike breaking crews for the Pride of Bruges and the Pride of Kent were bussed past a 100-strong picket line into the Dover docks yesterday. Mr Graeme Dunlop, managing director of P&O Ferries, said the weekend sailings without the co-operation of the union were "just the start".

He added: "Things are going according to plan. As far as I am concerned we are putting the whole fleet back into service."

Mr Sam McCluskie, NUS general secretary, accused the company of "psychological warfare".

He also appealed to dockers at Dover. "Trade union history demands the dockers come to support us."

P&O says more than 7,000 people have applied for jobs to replace dismissed crewmen.

At Falmouth, Cornwall, the crew of P&O's Viking Venturer voted to continue occupying the ship. At Weymouth in Dorset hundreds of holidaymakers were stranded by a 24-hour strike by the crew of the Sealink ferry Earl Godwin.

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Top heart doctor killed in crash

By Staff Reporters

A leading heart specialist died and his 12-year-old daughter was seriously injured in a motorway crash over the Bank holiday weekend.

Dr Derrick Felix-Davies, aged 62, was killed instantly when his Vauxhall Cavalier plunged from the M42 at Bromsgrove, Hereford and Worcester.

He had been a senior consultant physician in cardiology at the East Birmingham Hospital for several years and was formerly senior clinical lecturer at the city's university.

His daughter Kate, who was flung from the vehicle and trapped beneath it for half-an-hour was last night critically ill in the Midland Centre for Neurosurgery at Smethwick.

The doctor's wife Joan, who was also trapped under the wreckage, has been detained in Worcester Royal Infirmary suffering from rib injuries and shock. Police said no other vehicle was involved.

A luxury yacht sank in the Solent yesterday in blustery conditions which dominated the country and led many people to beat a path to DIY stores and shopping centres rather than attending more traditional Bank holiday locations.

High winds caused the sinking of the Barracuda of Tarrant, the luxury yacht used in the BBC television series *Howards' Way*, after it was driven on to rocks on Bembridge Ledge to the east of the Isle of Wight.

The incident occured in the early hours of the morning as the craft was among the leaders in the Royal Oceanracing Yacht Club's race to France and back.

The seven-strong crew,

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Private funds may pay for new roads

By Philip Webster, Chief Political Correspondent

Radical plans for the private sector to take a large role in the financing of Britain's road and rail networks are being studied by the Government.

Mr Paul Channon, the Secretary of State for Transport, is examining proposals for new bridges and tunnels in London, new Tube lines, toll roads, a high-speed link between the centre of London and Heathrow airport, ways of expanding the M25 and new transit schemes in several big cities as areas likely to attract private finance.

But he is squaring up for a full-scale battle with the Treasury and fighting its insistence that private capital raised should be used to cut the £3 billion earmarked by the Government for spending on the road programme over the next three years.

Mr Channon is arguing that Britain's big city traffic problems are becoming so serious that the sums he is able to raise from the private sector should be treated as additional to the publicly financed £3 billion,

He is being opposed in that contention by Mr Nigel Lawson, the Chancellor, and Mr John Major, Chief Secretary to the Treasury.

But he is said by MPs to be counting on the support of the Prime Minister.

Mr Channon is trying to build on the success of the Government in achieving private sector funding for the Channel Tunnel

Key issue in Dublin talks

By Richard Ford, Political Correspondent

The Provisional IRA's murder of three airmen will be a key issue at talks between British and Irish ministers this week with Britain pressing for still greater security co-operation in the fight against terrorism.

It is also expected that British Ministers will press for a speedy resolution of the continuing difficulties over the extradition of terrorist suspects.

A further exchange of letters between the British and Irish has failed to break the deadlock which has angered Conservatives and led to fears that the extradition of terrorist suspects from the Irish Republic could be halted.

Conservative MPs will also be angered that talks between the Provisional IRA's political wing and the Social Democratic and Labour Party are to continue despite the killings.

The meetings are part of an attempt by the SDLP to persuade the Provisional IRA to end its campaign of violence.

The ministerial talks take place at a time of soured relations between London and Dublin and amid fears that the Provisionals are anxious to increase attacks on servicemen serving overseas.

Leading figures in Provisional Sinn Fein, political wing of the Provisional IRA, know that shooting servicemen abroad gives the movement much greater publicity than incidents in Ulster.

At the meeting of the Anglo-Irish intergovernment conference, which is expected to be held in Dublin on Wednesday, the latest killings and the renewed controversy surrounding the shooting by the SAS of three Provisional IRA bombers in Gibraltar will dominate the security agenda.

Polish strikers seal off Solidarity shipyard

From Richard Bassett, Warsaw

About 1,000 workers sealed off the Lenin shipyard in Gdansk — the birthplace of the Solidarity movement — in support yesterday for strikers at Nowa Huta.

They also demanded the reinstatement of dismissed Solidarity activists and the reinstatement of the union.

Strikes supporting the stoppage at the Lenin Mill at Nowa Huta in southern Poland also brought factories in Wroclaw to a halt yesterday.

Mr Lech Walesa, the leader of the banned Solidarity union, who had called on Sunday for a day of "action" in support of Nowa Huta, said yesterday that he was fully behind the Gdansk stoppage, though he had not called for it, and the action at the Dolmel electronics factory at Wroclaw.

All the workers are demanding wage rises to cushion them from the dramatic price rises announced in February. Gdansk workers want a monthly wage of 60,000 zloties (£80), 20,000 zloties more than the national average.

Benefits purge prompts U-turn by taxi drivers

By Tim Jones

More than 500 taxi drivers in the West Midlands — one in ten of the toal — have stopped claiming unemployment and supplementary benefits after a purge by Department of Employment fraud investigators. Discovery of their fraud has saved the taxpayer more than £500,000.

Since the Government declared war against the black economy, benefit fraud officers have prevented false unemployment claims by those in work totalling more than £2.5 million. Mr Norman Fowler, Secretary of State for Employment, said last night: "There is a determined minority who are working and claiming benefit at the same time. There can be no justification for this and and there will be no let up in our efforts to curb this abuse".

The taxi fraud was discovered after investigators checked the names of 5,000 drivers against the unemployed register.

In a second case, a postal dispute highlighted a potential fraud in Coventry. The dispute led to benefit giros being sent to an unemployment benefit office for personal collection by claimants; when, in spite of extensive publicity, 300 people failed to turn up, an investigation was mounted.

Fraud officers who made more than 300 house visits discovered some of the addresses were shop premises where the claimant was working.

At other addresses, the claimant's wife or landlady admitted the man was "out to work" while others were discovered to be "helping out" friends and relatives who owned shops and factories. As a result of the inquiry, 62 people withdrew their benefit claims, saving taxpayers about £45,000.

The successes in the "benefit war" come after a doubling of investigators in four years to 800 and a recent government announcement that their numbers are to be increased by a further 50.

One of the largest investigations was mounted in South Coast towns last summer. About £1.2 million was saved when some 1,300 benefit claimants, more than a quarter of the 4,400 investigated, ceased to claim.

In another operation, the gangmaster system in Lincolnshire was exposed and 60 people face prosecution after the exposure of the practice of middlemen sypplying farmers with gangs of labourers.

In London, the prosecution of 118 despatch riders in London, some earning more than £300 a week, led to savings of more than £40,000.

Mr Fowler said: "Although these latest cases are from the Midlands there is no question that the problem is nationwide.

"These examples fully justify the resources now being devoted to fraud investigation work. They also demonstrate the efficiency and professionalism of the investigators in making sure that benefit only goes to those entitled to receive it."

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Third victim in BBC health alert

A third case of Legionnaires' disease believed to have been contracted in or around the BBC headquarters at Broadcasting House, central London, was confirmed yesterday and another 13 suspected cases were under investigation after an appeal to doctors to help to trace victims.

The source of the disease is believed to be the BBC's water cooling systems, which were disinfected yesterday while staff continued to work normally.

A team of BBC, health, local authority and public health laboratory staff was set up to investigate the outbreak. Doctors who suspect pneumonia or Legionnaire's disease in people who have been working in the vicinity of Broadcasting House in the past fortnight have been asked to telephone 01-927 5338, 5339 or 5340.

Nine of the cases reported so far involve BBC staff, including one confirmed victim: a commissionaire from a BBC engineers' department building in Duchess Street near Broadcasting House.

Double shooting

A student nurse was shot dead yesterday by her boy friend, in Sligo General Hospital, west Ireland, yesterday. He then turned the shotgun on himself and died near by. The couple were named as Sarah Jane Tarpey, aged 20, of Aiden Street, Kiltimagh, Co Mayo, and Cathal McManus, also 20, an apprentice fitter at the hospital, of Dromore, Keadue, Co Roscommon. Police said it appeared that Miss Tarpey had been trying to end their romance. Mr McManus had been in the hospital fuse-room apparently in normal mood. He had then told another worker: "You carry on, I have a couple of things to do".

Race education call

Britain's biggest head teachers' organization yesterday called on Mr Kenneth Baker, the Secretary of State for Education, to carry out a national review of "anti-racist education" after the death of an Asian pupil. Mr David Hart, general secretary of the National Association of Head Teachers, asked Mr Baker to "make his intentions clear as soon as possible" on the policy. An inquiry into the stabbing of Ahmed Ullah, aged 13, by a white pupil at Burnage High School, Manchester, in 1986, blamed the school's "anti-racist" policies for creating race tension.

Heseltine campaign

Mr Michael Heseltine yesterday intensified his campaign to prevent Rowntree, the York-based confectionery company, being taken over by either of the two Swiss bidders, Nestlé or Suchard. The former Cabinet minister has joined some 20 Tory MPs in signing a Commons motion which "resents the predatory actions of overseas companies, themselves protected from takeover by their national laws". Speaking on BBC Radio's *World At One*, he said a Monopolies Commission investigation would be able to question the protection of Rowntree's staff.

Bishop's campaign

The Bishop of Southwark yesterday launched a cross-party campaign to exempt community service volunteers from paying the community charge. The Right Rev Ronald Bowlby is to move an amendment during the committee stage of the local government Bill on the grounds that even after rebates are claimed, young volunteers could still have to pay up to £2 a week in poll tax from the small amount of pocket money they receive. His supporters include the former Speaker of the House of Commons, Lord Tonypandy, and Lady Pike, a former Conservative minister.

Mistaken diagnoses

Fifty cases of suspected child abuse turned out to have quite innocent causes, a survey by two specialists at St James's University Hospital, Leeds, has found. Seven children thought to have been burnt by cigarettes had impetigo; birth marks and other skin defects were mistaken for bruising; severe nappy rash as a sign of scalding, and in two cases dye or paint on the face was taken to be bad bruising. One boy aged four with a swollen face was found to have recently been to the dentist.

Gould claims Labour is on the path to power

Thatcher accused of losing nerve

By Robin Oakley
Political Editor

Two senior Labour figures claimed yesterday that the tide in British politics had turned against the Conservatives.

Mr Gerald Kaufman, the shadow Foreign Secretary, said at a May Day rally in the Rhondda Valley, Mid Glamorgan, that the Conservatives had been winning general elections only because the anti-Conservative vote was split and Labour's internal problems had made the Conservatives more credible than Labour as a party of government.

He said both those handicaps were now dramatically reduced and might be on their way to disappearing. Mrs Thatcher had lost her nerve and was on the run. He said "a turning point in the political history of the 1980s" may have been reached.

Mr Bryan Gould, the shadow trade spokesman, claimed that Labour was "on the path to power" with a moral crusade against a Conservative Government which stood for a "creed of greed" which was a "breathtaking misunderstanding of the British people".

Mr Kaufman said the Tories had not won the 1987 general election because they were popular but because they were less unpopular than the Labour opposition.

He claimed that Labour's credibility was being enhanced and that Mrs Thatcher's had been shattered by having to make humiliating public retreats twice in a fortnight on the poll tax and on housing benefits.

Meanwhile Mr Gould, speaking at a May Day rally in Wigan, Greater Manchester, declared: "Britain now has a Government that has made greed its moral code". They had created a vision of a "brutal and selfish society where the compassionate are scorned as soft and the caring dismissed as historical relics". But that creed of greed was totally alien to the British way. "The battle against this Government has become a great moral crusade."

Mr Gould predicted that Labour could take advantage as "decent people in Britain" were sickened by the selfishness of tax cuts for the rich and penury for the poor and the injustice of a poll tax on which a student nurse paid the same as Mr Nigel Lawson.

Labour leaders have been heartened by three recent developments. The rebellions by Tory MPs, forcing the Government into concessions on the poll tax and on social security benefits have given Mr Kinnock his best run against Mrs Thatcher in the Commons since he came to the leadership, boosting the morale of Labour MPs.

At the same time the concessions have proved the wisdom of Labour's strategy in focusing all winter on the national health service, the poll tax and social security.

Second, the collapse of the former Alliance vote since the election has pushed Labour to its best position in the opinion polls for more than seven years.

Third, the evidence of the polls is that Labour is suffering far less than expected from the challenge to the leadership of Mr Kinnock and Mr Roy Hattersley by Mr Tony Benn, Mr Eric Heffer and Mr John Prescott.

When Parliament resumes today Labour will attack the Government on the Finance Bill clauses implementing the Budget changes on the upper rates of tax.

Tory chiefs remain unworried at this stage about the apparent closing of the gap by Labour. They point out that the Government has deliberately packed the unpopular measures into the first year of the new Parliament and that there is a long way to go.

Scargill supports Benn for leader

By Our Political Editor

Mr Tony Benn, Mr Neil Kinnock's challenger for the Labour leadership, yesterday received the endorsement Mr Kinnock would have wished on him.

As expected, Mr Arthur Scargill, the president of the National Union of Mineworkers, who has often appeared on platforms with Mr Benn, enlisted in Mr Benn's campaign. He did so a day after telling trade unionists at a May Day rally in Dover: "If fighting for what you believe in means defiance of the law, then you should defy the law."

It intensifies the leadership contest as a battle between the hard left and the "new realist" school comprising the soft left and the centre right now clustered around Mr Kinnock and Mr Hattersley.

Mr Scargill, who has clashed consistently with Mr Kinnock and who claimed he was gagged by the Labour leadership in the last election campaign, spoke at a rain-soaked rally in Mr Benn's Chesterfield constituency yesterday.

Standing beside the veteran dockers' leader, Mr Jack Dash, aged 81, Mr Scargill said: "I am privileged and proud to share this platform with two people whom I believe epitomize the finest qualities of the Labour and trade union movements.

"In Tony Benn, one of the greatest Labour Party leaders that we have ever seen.

Mr Benn has derided Labour's revisionist efforts to find new policies with a "Labour Listens" campaign. Mr Scargill also scorned Labour's publicity efforts and called for red-blooded socialism.

He said: "We do not need Saatchi and Saatchi and red roses. Marx and Engels and the red blood flag of socialism should be put on the agenda of British politics."

Mr Scargill criticized Mr Norman Willis, the TUC General Secretary, saying that trade unionists had been filled with shame and humiliation at the "disgraceful sight" of Mr Willis and members of the Amalgamated Engineering Union flying to Detroit to beg Ford to come to Dundee.

Mr Benn urged the Labour and Socialist movement to give "full support, inside and outside Parliament to all those who are now resisting the attacks being made by the Government against the NHS, our schools, local government and the trade unions".

Mourning lost camaraderie at sea

By Ronald Faux

Mrs Pamela Kelly does not conform to the typical image of a seafarer. The mother of four and grandmother of six has been dismissed for joining the seamen's strike. She worked for nearly ten years on the P&O ferry Pride of Sandwich.

Mrs Kelly, aged 50, went to sea when her husband became disabled. "He was a stevedore but caught a chest infection and lost one lung. I suddenly became the breadwinner", she said.

"At the beginning, with the children growing up, there was no option. It was very hard with shifts of 24 hours on and 48 off.

"We had rest breaks but it was rare if I got more than four and a half hours off. When you tried to sleep it was broken by the noise of the chaining-in, the Tannoy, and lorries rumbling on board. But it was a way of life and there was always a sense of loyalty."

Mrs Kelly became a senior stewardess working in the ship's gift shop. Life at sea, though, meant turning her hand to what was necessary. "You simply got stuck in and did the job. I've cleaned the lavatories on that ship in my time. I'm not proud", she said.

Mrs Kelly was paid about £160 a week. She would have been happy, she said, with the company's new system of consolidated pay but, like all her colleagues, objected to the extra work required for no extra pay. "It's the principle, the fact we were being pushed into a whole new system without option."

Her son David, aged 29, married with two children, worked for nine years as a catering storeman on the ferries. He, too, is out of work.

Mrs Kelly said: "It's the young ones with huge mortgages to pay who are the worst hit. Our children have been great, rallying round."

She thought the strike could split the seafarers and the town of Dover. "People signed [the new contract] because of their fear of being unemployed. People I know well thought a job at any cost was better than none. But when they refused to cross picket lines because they were members of the NUS they were sacked anyway."

Like many others, Mrs Kelly thought hard before joining the strike. When her colleagues threw away 20 years of employment and all that represented in pension, possible redundancy and seniority it made her appreciate the principle at stake.

Mrs Kelly will miss going to sea and the camaraderie of the ferries. "We went through a lot, especially after the Herald of Free Enterprise disaster [at Zeebrugge last year], helping one another and helping other people.

"I will never forget a stewardess who lost a close relative on the Herald. She used to scream out with terror every time our ship rolled more than usual. Yet she was determined to carry on."



Mrs Pamela Kelly, a former senior stewardess on the Pride of Sandwich, with grandson Lee, aged five, whose father has also been dismissed by P&O (Photograph: Chris Harris).

Assets advice from miners

By Tim Jones

Mr Sam McCluskie, leader of the National Union of Seamen and treasurer of the Labour Party, has until 2pm today to consider whether to take to heart the advice of Mr Arthur Scargill that "sequestration is not as painful as it's made out to be".

Sealink, whose ships are at a standstill because of the union's dispute with P&O, is expected to ask for sequestration on the grounds that the union has breached an injunction banning it from interfering with its operations.

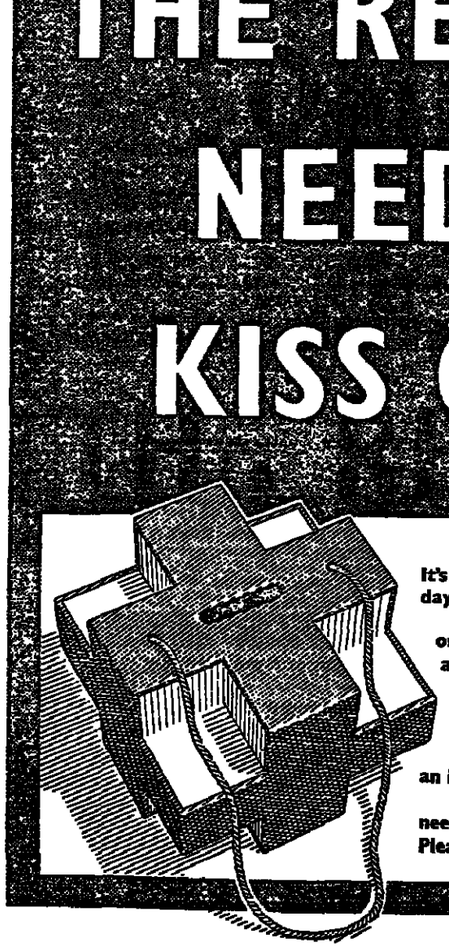
The advice of Mr Scargill, leader of the National Union of Mineworkers, to a union which could be stripped of its funds and thrown out of its headquarters for contempt of court, contrasts with the sworn statement he made in the High Court more than two years ago.

On that occasion, Mr Scargill was apologizing to the court for contempt after the failure of the NUM to pay a £200,000 fine imposed for ignoring court orders.

His statement said: "The fines have now been paid and the burden of sequestration has been a very heavy one for the NUM".

The union went to incredible lengths to put its assets beyond the reach of the British courts, and the lack of sequestrated funds and equipment severely hampered the union's ability to finance its strike.

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BRITISH RED CROSS

Tory MPs step up green belt fight

By Martin Fletcher, Political Reporter

A group of some 80 Conservative MPs is to intensify pressure on the Government to curb further development in rural southern England.

The steering committee of the group, called SANE, has decided that the time has come to "raise the temperature".

After months of behind-the-scenes lobbying of ministers, the MPs, who include some of Mrs Thatcher's staunchest supporters, do not believe that the Government has taken their message on board.

They are to launch a high-profile campaign at Westminster of parliamentary questions, adjournment debates, early day motions, speeches and pamphlets, and are to employ a researcher to prepare back-up material.

They want a radical overhaul of the planning system to prevent more green belt and agricultural land being built on in the overheated south.

They want resources channelled back into rundown inner city areas and into parts of Britain where there is less pressure on the countryside.

They are suspicious of Mr Nicholas Ridley, Secretary of State for the Environment, who has overridden country structure plans in places such as Berkshire and raised the number of new houses that can be built.

They feel he is too susceptible to the powerful consortia of developers who want to build a string of new satellite towns in the Home Counties.

Mr Nicholas Baker, MP for Dorset North and a leading member of the group, said: "It is too important an issue to be ignored. The planning system is deficient. It is developer-driven. It is failing to protect the countryside from over-development and to promote sensitive development of the inner cities. It is out of date and in need of a radical overhaul."

EEC gives £267m to the unemployed

By Tim Jones

The European Commission yesterday said Britain would receive £267 million to help finance schemes to counter unemployment if a similar sum was set aside by the Government. Last night, a government spokesman indicated this condition would be met.

A commission spokesman said the money would be used on youth training projects and on re-training programmes for older unemployed people.

The EEC funding decision, part of a £1.5 billion share-out for Europe, is the second this year and brings the total for Britain to £307 million. Although a decision on how the money is to be divided will not be taken for several weeks, it is clear the bulk will go to the Manpower Services Commission for youth training programmes and to schemes designed to help long-term unemployed.

In addition, sums will be allocated to local authorities throughout the country to help pay for training schemes. The EEC said one project that would benefit was in the North of England where young people will be trained as skilled audio-visual technicians.

Other beneficiaries will include Dr Barnado's in Northern Ireland which will receive help to fund a programme to train handicapped people and the Docklands Skillnet scheme for young people in London.

Yesterday, the Government was accused of being "unrealistic" in expecting employers to provide the practical training planned for its new scheme for the long-term unemployed.

Writing in the latest issue of *Personnel Management*, Miss Sheila Forbes, Unigate's group head of personnel, suggests that this is the reason for the lack of employer support for the scheme, which is scheduled to start in September and to provide 600,000 places.

Man in the news

Docklands chief to put people first

By David Walker, Public Administration Correspondent

London's Docklands is about to undergo a change of emphasis from a field of property speculation to a human terrain where people live and work. As a senior Cabinet minister said recently: "The time has come to start to knit London Docklands into the community".

The new spirit is displayed in the man who takes over today as the corporation's chief executive, ending an embarrassing hiatus since the early resignation of the last holder of the job four months ago.

Mr Michael Honey is a trained architect and accomplished public administrator, versed in the latest managerial techniques.

As chief executive of the borough of Richmond-upon-Thames, south-west London, he has enjoyed fruitful relations with the Social and Liberal Democrats who have exercised control there for the past two years.



Mr Michael Honey, abiding faith in partnership.

Earlier appointments in the London boroughs of Greenwich and Croydon make him a forceful advocate of the need for collaboration and cooperation across the political and bureaucratic boundaries which divide the capital.

Mr Honey, aged 46, worked in New York in the 1960s, then for the City of Boston's redevelopment authority carrying out tasks not dissimilar to that of the LDDC.

His work for Labour-run Greenwich, Tory-run Croydon and Liberal Richmond-upon-Thames has centred on the application of modern management methods.

Richmond-upon-Thames subjected its horticultural, refuse, school meals and other services to competitive comparison with the private sector long before this was stipulated by the Government. Officials in the borough are assessed regularly by a performance review committee.

Mr Honey said: "The inefficient image of local government is wrong as far as a significant number of authorities goes. Simple analogies with the private sector do not work; public bodies are much more complicated to manage."

In spite of recent managerial upsets and controversy over the Canary Wharf tower block development, the LDDC is considered in Whitehall as one of the Government's big successes.

Mr Honey will bring an abiding faith in partnership between public and private sectors.

Richmond-upon-Thames played a pivotal role in cross-borough schemes such as grants to voluntary organizations and banning heavy lorries at night after the break up of the Greater London Council.

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Post Office seeking own 'police force' in fight against frauds

By Tony Dawe

The Post Office is proposing to launch its own fraud investigation agency offering services to companies such as banks, building societies, retailers and airlines.

It is hoping for a decision this month from Mr Kenneth Clarke, Minister for Trade and Industry, to enable a subsidiary linked to the Post Office investigation department to start operations.

However, Mr Clarke is said to be reluctant to sanction a private police force and equally unwilling to contradict his ministry's campaign to present itself as the "department of enterprise".

Leading banks said they believed their own investigators, supported by the police, were adequate. However, some airlines and retailers said they welcomed professional help in the fight against increasing fraud.

Mr Mike Hoare, a former Scotland Yard commander, who heads the Post Office investigation department, said in the magazine, *Police Review*: "Either nobody does the job, or somebody else comes in to do it. Either the country gives more resources or companies reinvest some of their profits into investigating crime."

In the past year, the 240 Post Officer investigators, including fingerprint and forensic science specialists, have trapped 3,500 people for offences ranging from stealing mail to defrauding Girobank.

Scotland Yard's cheque fraud squad, which has been cut from 29 officers to 11, arrested 81 people last year. The Yard's art and antique squad has been reduced to one detective and a helper. The future of the team handling airline ticket frauds is uncertain.

The Post Office proposes that its investigation department will launch inquiries for presentation to the police. The agency could also analyse patterns of crime for banks and insurance companies, which have in the past been reluctant to provide details of how they have been caught out for fear of disclosing security information.

The Post Office has set up a company called Grosvenor Place Services and called in marketing consultants to advise on its potential. However, operations cannot begin until Mr Clarke has been consulted about the chairmanship, a technicality which gives him power to cancel the proposal.

Mr John Patrick, director of the Consumer Credit Association, said: "Fraud is clearly on the increase and the police clearly have many other priorities. So the plans interest us, especially as our members often encounter a type of fraud familiar to the Post Office."

Hampshire police force was so short of manpower last year that sometimes only one patrolling officer could be provided for every 9,600 inhabitants, Mr John Duke, Chief Constable, says today in his annual report.

Mr Duke, who retires this summer, said that police undermanning had become so bad that criminals were encouraged to launch ever more audacious attacks.

The force was still 250 officers short of the recommended figure when he took command 11 years ago and there seemed little prospect of help from the Home Office.

Twice last December, Hampshire, which with more than 3,000 officers is the third largest county force in England and Wales, had fewer than 175 officers on patrol.

In his report Mr Duke said that in 12 months, sexual offences had increased by 13.4 per cent, including a 50 per cent increase in rape. Although robbery had dropped by nearly 2 per cent, there had been a 75 per cent increase in burglaries involving violence.

Mr Rodney Wallis, director of security of the International Air Transport Association, said: "Many airlines would welcome more help in combating ticket fraud. The sums involved are astronomical and are estimated at $500 million a year yet many carriers have no real way of identifying how much they are losing."

However, Mr Jim Parsons, secretary of the banks and building societies' cheque card committee, said: "We believe fraud investigation is a job for the official police and if there is a shortage of officers in the force then the manpower position should be corrected. We should not fall into the trap of having private police forces."

● A secret system to combat fraud is being run by detectives and banking organizations (Stewart Tendler writes).

The system uses confidential "warning notices" to tell banks of alleged perpetrators of fraud who are using new techniques or who are a threat but cannot be arrested immediately. Twenty-six notices have been issued.

A committee of senior Bank of England officials, fraud squad officers and representatives of banking associations meets regularly. Hand-delivered warnings are issued in the name of its chairman, who is at present the auditor of the Bank, from the fraud squad headquarters in the City.

Within a few hours, City banks can start taking precautions. Details reach branches throughout Britain within 24 hours. Notices are passed also to overseas banks.

The notices set out the fraud operation, ask for information and give advice on how banks can protect themselves. If forged papers or documents are being used, the notice gives details of the forgery and ways of detecting it.

One case is understood to have involved a financial company which attempted a fraud using American accomplices to vouch for securities and other documents.

● Crimestoppers, the business-funded scheme which provides rewards of between £50 and £500 for information on publicized crimes in London, is to be extended to other parts of Britain by early next year.

The trial scheme, which started 15 weeks ago, led to in 63 arrests after more than 1,079 telephone calls. More than 250 calls referred to drugs or robbery offences.

A regional Crimestopper scheme is to be launched in July covering police forces north of London and into East Anglia. They include Norfolk, Suffolk, Cambridgeshire, Essex, Hertfordshire, Thames Valley, Bedfordshire, Northamptonshire and Lincolnshire. Others are expected follow.

Dinosaurs on the move



Mr Steve Howe (left), of the National Museum of Wales, and Chinese palaeontologists packing exhibits of recently-found dinosaurs from China before their journey to London, where they will be shown at the National History Museum next month. The collection, one of the largest scientific exhibits ever to leave China, includes a 70-ft long *Mamenchisaurus*, the largest fossil ever found in Asia and a *Tsintaosaurus* (Photograph: Graham Wood).

Long delays in land searches hit home sales

By Christopher Warman, Property Correspondent

Property buyers trying to complete purchases before the August deadline on multiple mortgage tax relief are encountering long delays in dealing with local authorities.

Some councils, particularly in London, are taking up to six months to carry out precontractual inquiries, says the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors.

The institution has made suggestions for reducing delays in response to a consultation document issued by the Law Commission's standing committee on conveyancing. Its comments come as pilot schemes to computerize conveyancing have been announced.

Until all areas have a computerized system, the institution proposes short-term measures, including vendors being responsible for obtaining searches and contacting local authorities as soon as the property is put on the market. Private firms which carry out personal searches for purchasers should also act for local authorities to speed up the service.

The institution welcomes the proposal put forward by the conveyancing committee that there should be a statutory penalty on local authorities which fail to reply to inquiries within a specific time. It rejects the notion that the abolition of local authority inquiries, coupled with a compensation scheme, would satisfactorily replace the present system.

Most local authorities run a manual system of property inquiries, using record cards. A company called Central Land Charges has been launched to help to streamline the system by introducing computers.

The company, a subsidiary of Cipfa Services, which is a subsidiary of the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy, has financial backing from National Westminster Bank in offering its search service to local authorities.

Indications from pilot schemes in Wigan, Greater Manchester and Portsmouth, Hampshire, are that computers will generate significant time savings.

There will be no direct cost to the local authority for the service, estimated at an average of £200,000 for each authority, but it will be required to charge £15 for each inquiry undertaken.

A second innovation is a computerized map-based property search system, which has been developed by British Telecom and Sheffield City Council.

It is based on British Telecom's video map imaging system and will be five times more efficient than Sheffield's manual system, the council says.

Surgery stress 'burns out' young dentists

Many newly-qualified dentists are "burning themselves out" by soldiering on without a break through long patient lists, a leading researcher said yesterday.

Mr Julian Scott, a practising dentist and research fellow in the Post Graduate Medical School of Exeter University, said stress breaks were essential, especially after treating patients who were angry or over-anxious.

He recommended dentists to lie back in the treatment chair and relax for a few minutes after difficult patients left. They could even try self-hypnosis.

Mr Scott, the South West's regional adviser on general dental practise, runs Britain's first residential course to ease the effects of stress on young dentists. His co-tutor is Mr Keith Nichols, a psychology lecturer at Exeter.

Mr Scott said: "Without self-imposed bouts of quiet relaxation we could do ourselves untold harm in the form of stress-related illness and heart attacks.

"The suicide rate among dentists is one of the highest of all the caring professions."

Jail siege inquiry launched

By Kerry Gill

The Scottish Office has launched an investigation into the latest violent outbreak at Perth jail in which a prison officer was held hostage by inmates for 17 hours before being released unharmed.

It was the eighth major disturbance in a Scottish prison in under two years and the second incidence of hostage-taking in Perth prison's C hall in six months.

Shortly after Mr Thomas Mortimer, aged 25, was released Mr Robert McTaggart, chairman of the Scottish All-Party Penal Affairs Committee, gave a warning that it was only a matter of time before a hostage or a prisoner was killed.

Mr McTaggart, Labour MP for Glasgow Central, was speaking outside the prison gates after trying to see a constituent who is serving a life sentence.

"Obviously there is something wrong in our prisons when we have riots every other month when there used to be years between them", he said. Morale in Perth, he added, was deplorable.

Although the Scottish Office is relieved that yesterday's incident ended relatively quickly, the scenes inside C hall showed the same pattern of viciousness as other sieges.

Two inmates in the 120-man hall, believed to be special category prisoners, were badly slashed. One had 50 stitches in his face, and the other 20 stitches in his arm.

Mr McTaggart said he was convinced that part of the cause for the recent violence was the lack of parole for many long-term prisoners.

Economic criteria to govern use of drugs, report says

By Jill Sherman and Thomson Prentice

New treatments and medical advances will in future have to prove both cost effective as well as beneficial, according to a report published today.

The report from the Office of Health Economics emphasizes that medicines cannot be divorced from the present climate of value for money in the National Health Service. "It will no longer be sufficient merely to show that a new medicine is effective and safe", the report says.

In another medical development, sufferers of Parkinson's disease are being told that there is no guarantee that foetal brain tissue transplants have any long-term benefit for their condition.

Two such operations have been carried out in Britain in recent weeks but the Parkinson's Disease Society is urging its 40,000 members not to be over-optimistic about the treatment. The charity is also calling for a public debate on the ethics of using tissue from aborted foetuses.

The Office of Health Economics (OHE), meanwhile, acknowledges that there will never be enough money to meet the demand for new drugs but says that given the scarcity of resources, clinicians will have to realize that the overuse of new medical technology will be set against a reduction in other services.

The benefits of drugs could be measured in three ways: clinical improvements and reduced mortality; the potential savings of resources by avoiding or shortening hospital stays and the impact on the quality of life of the treated patient.

The Government has already introduced a "limited list" of drugs which doctors should not prescribe, but the report points out that other countries, such as France, Italy and Austria, have drawn up "positive" lists of drugs that will be partially or fully reimbursed by the state.

Similarly, in many countries hospitals operate a formula, where only a limited number of medicines are routinely available. Some countries also publish comparisons of price and equivalency of drugs to encourage clinicians to choose the cheapest drug for a given condition.

Clinicians at some hospitals in Britain have been given their own budgets to encourage the cost effective use of resources, but the OHE admits that the cost benefit of any medicine or treatment will differ depending on whether it is from the view point of the patient, the health service or the economy as a whole.

Nevertheless, the authors conclude that those responsible for approving the price of medicine may in future expect to have evidence of the economic benefits of the new therapy.

The warning to sufferers of Parkinson's disease comes in the wake of the two operations in Birmingham, which the Parkinson's Disease Society says took it by suprise.

The society says: "There is no guarantee at the present time that surgery will have long-term benefit and we have to wait to discover whether the transplanted cells are rejected or flourish too abundantly. Enormous ethical and practical issues have to be resolved before such operations might or might not become generally available."

However, Mr Anthony Kilmister, executive director of the charity, said yesterday that many of the society's members could see the possible value of such transplants, subject to clear ethical guidelines. "It is not desirable to have these issues surrounded by a fog of confusion", he said.

The British Medical Association is to publish its own ethical guidelines on the issue later this week.

Economic Evaluation in the Development of Medicines (Office of Health Economics, 12 Whitehall, London SW1A 2DY).

Competition in broadcasting

Satellite firm fights fifth TV channel

By Richard Evans, Media Editor

The premature introduction of a fifth "terrestrial" television channel could seriously undermine British Satellite Broadcasting's attempt to become the new third force in British broadcasting, the Government was told yesterday.

Potential investors in the £625 million venture could be scared off and viewers may delay buying equipment to watch satellite television if a new fifth channel is permitted, the company said in a report to Cabinet ministers.

BSB was awarded a 15-year franchise for direct broadcasting by satellite last year and is due to launch three new national television channels late next year. Two will be funded by advertising and the third by subscription.

But in the forthcoming White Paper on broadcasting, the Government is widely expected to approve the setting up of a fifth land-based television channel, probably paid for by advertising or possibly by subscription.

The timing of a fifth channel becoming available could be crucial to the fortunes of BSB, as both would be seeking advertising or subscription cash for their services.

Government proposals for a fifth channel are expected to be on the statute book by the summer of 1990, only months after BSB starts beaming programmes into people's homes.

In a paper submitted by BSB to the Home Office, the Treasury and the Department of Trade and Industry, the satellite company spells out in the starkest terms the importance of getting the timing right.

"The premature introduction of a fifth terrestrial channel would risk undermining BSB's ability to realize its potential as the new third force in British broadcasting envisaged by the Government at the time we were awarded our franchise", the company says in a report.

"It would weaken our ability to deliver the full range of benefits on three national channels — for the sake of an earlier than necessary introduction of a channel with the potential only to reach 70 per cent of the population.

"Furthermore, it is possible that such a channel may not cover some parts of the country where advertising demand is potentially greatest. More competition in the short-term may mean less potent competition and viewer choice in the medium to longer term."

The warning, directed at the Cabinet committee drawing up the broadcasting White Paper, is contained in a response to a recent study into the economics of television advertising in Britain, produced by the consultants Booz Allen & Hamilton.

The study suggested that the television advertising monopoly currently enjoyed by the ITV companies costs the British economy up to £2 billion a year.

The study came out strongly in favour of setting up a fifth channel as a way of providing additional advertising air time.

But BSB described this analysis as "overstated or misleading".

Although BSB sympathizes with the frustration caused by the ITV companies' advertising monopoly, it says on a number of significant points the arguments put forward by Booz Allen & Hamilton "do not seem robust against even fairly cursory probing".

"It would seem perilous to put a great deal of store by the report's findings and projections, when its foundations are so shaky", BSB says.

French may bar the way to British lawyers

By Frances Gibb, Legal Affairs Correspondent

City law firms are to make representations to Lord Cockfield, President of the EEC, over restrictions they say will inhibit them from operating freely under the single market after 1992.

They are concerned that in France, where a number of law firms have branch offices, and possibly also in Brussels, they will be subject to local restrictions on how they practise.

Mr Peter Gerrard, senior partner of Lovell White Durrant, the newly-merged London firm, said: "The commission doesn't seem to have got the message on this. It is very important, if not by 1992 then by the end of the 1990s, that law firms are able to operate within the market on a gen-uine barrier-free basis. There are signs of a pretty strong rearguard action in some countries, notably France."

The EEC had agreed on a system of mutual recognition of qualifications and diplomas. There would possibly also be a simple examination. "This probably works for doctors and dentists but it does not work for the law."

Mr Gerrard, speaking at the launch this week of Lovell White Durrant as Europe's second biggest law firm, said the French were suggesting that foreign lawyers would have to join the local Bar and be under its control.

He said: "If the French succeed in doing this, it is going to make life extremely difficult for English and American firms that want to practise in much the way they have done until now".

The move would be a step backwards in terms of the freedoms they enjoyed. There were various restrictions, such as not being able to practise in the firm's name and having to use only the names of individual lawyers. However, the main problem was being put under the disciplinary jurisdiction of a foreign Bar which did not understand the way in which British lawyers operated.

"We are not asking for the balance to be tilted in our favour, or for more freedom than local lawyers have. But there is a balance to be struck. Why should we be prevented, for example, from doing work that accountants can do under Belgian law?"

Mr Gerrard said the single market presented big opportunities, particularly for British law firms. Their size and position gave them advantages over firms in other countries.

Firms such as his were in a strong position nationally and internationally to compete and help clients compete in the fields of finance, insurance, production, distribution and other areas. Lovell White Durrant is the second big law firm after Clifford Chance to be created by merger in the past year. With the appointment of 11 new partners, the firm's total partnership is 110.

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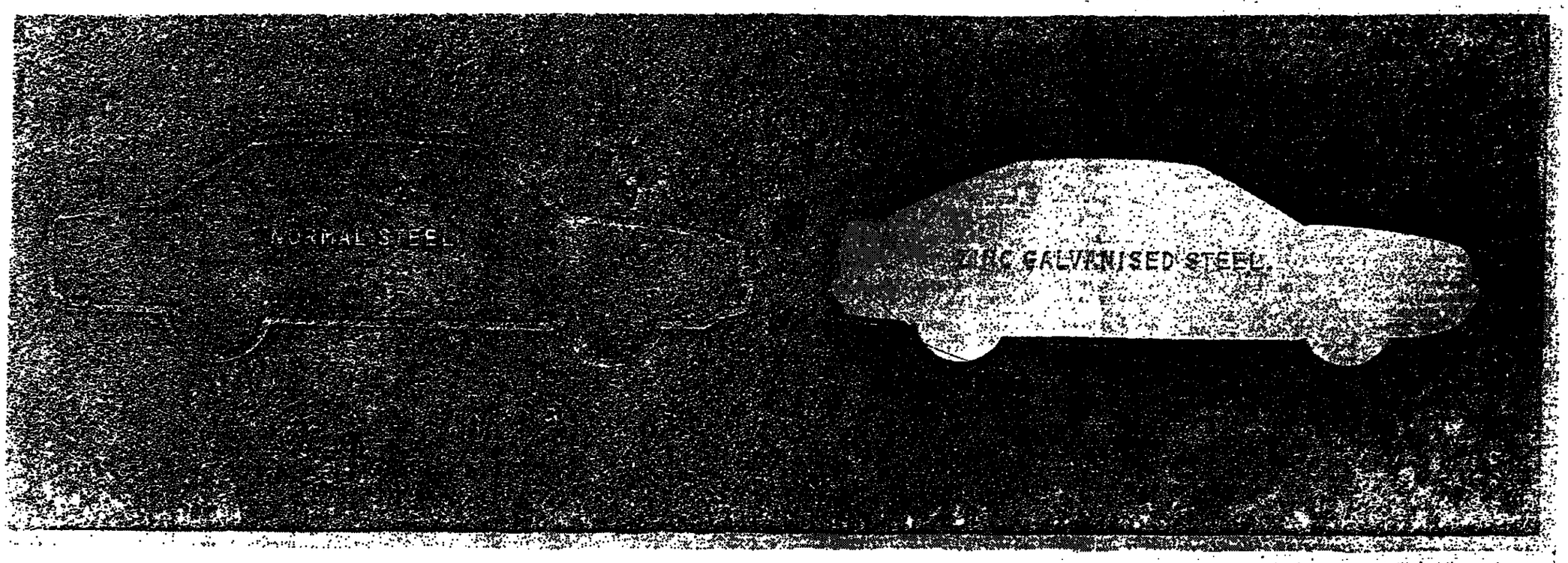
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FOR A moment we thought Dr Dietz was showing a little compassion.

'CARS IN Germany,' continued the Doctor, *'have to withstand an extremely corrosive environment. You see, in some areas, snow lies on the ground for six months of the year.*

'TO AGGRAVATE the situation, every year the authorities put half a million tonnes of salt and grit on our roads. And the corrosive agents SO_2 and NO_x are present in high levels in our rain and air.'

SUDDENLY LIVING in Britain didn't seem so bad.

'CONSEQUENTLY, AT Audi, we now employ the classic corrosion protection system: zinc galvanisation.'

'BUT DON'T other manufacturers already use zinc?' we questioned.

'INDEED,' REPLIED Dr Dietz smiling, *'most cars have a limited number of galvanised parts: hinges, sills, brackets and some body parts. Only Audi, along with Porsche, have their body shells completely galvanised inside and out.*

'CONSEQUENTLY, WHILE most manufacturers' corrosion warranties are limited to six years, Audi's now extends to ten. Zinc is also likely to increase an Audi's resale value.

'ARE YOU familiar with galvanisation and the barrier effect and cathodic protection afforded by zinc?' enquired Dr Dietz.

DR DIETZ took his cue from our blank faces. Our metallurgy was, to say the least, a little rusty.

'ALLOW ME to explain. The protective layer of zinc works in two ways. Firstly, the zinc provides a barrier that protects the steel from contact with corrosive media. This purely physical corrosion-resisting property of zinc coatings on steel is referred to as the barrier effect. Zinc, of course, corrodes up to ten times more slowly than steel.

'SECONDLY, SHOULD the zinc be damaged, exposing the steel, the zinc becomes the sacrificial anode in the electrochemical corrosive reaction.

'IN PRACTICAL terms this suppression of the anodic reaction of the steel means that the Fe side of the electrode pair is no longer a corroding mixed electrode, but a corrosion-free cathode. The corresponding phenomenon is therefore referred to as cathodic protection.'

DR DIETZ might just as well have been speaking German.

THE DOCTOR endeavoured to explain in more simple terms. *'Should the steel be exposed, the zinc bleeds over the steel. No rust will form until the zinc has been eroded, a process which can take several years.'*

'WITHOUT ZINC, how long would rust take to form?' we queried.

'SEVERAL DAYS, maybe less,' smiled Dr Dietz.

'HOWEVER, WHILE zinc is undoubtedly an effective weapon against rust, it can only be one element in a complete range of anti-corrosion measures,' continued Dr Dietz.

DR DIETZ, we sensed, was on the verge of refreshing our memories about the rest of Audi's corrosion protection. Apparently, the 27-operation painting process, the wax-flooded cavities and the chip-resistant elastic undercoat, had all been retained despite the introduction of zinc galvanisation.

THANKFULLY, WE persuaded him they could wait until another time.

HOWEVER, ONE question did remain. 'Why were Audi the only manufacturer, but for the notable exception of Porsche, to adopt fully galvanised zinc bodies?'

DR DIETZ smiled. *'Vorsprung durch Technik,'* came the reply.

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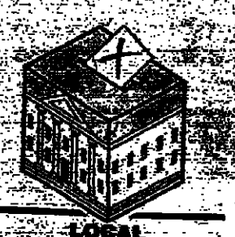
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Bristol is exploiting the 1980s financial boom to win back its former pre-eminence

Sudden riches spell danger for Labour's tenuous hold

By Nicholas Wood, Political Correspondent



LOCAL ELECTIONS

A scrapyard in Avonmouth piled high with rusting motor cars symbolizes the threat to Labour's tenuous hold on power in Bristol in Thursday's district council elections.

According to Mr Peter Abraham, the senior Conservative on the council's planning committee, moves are afoot to exchange the dreary plot of land for £1 million.

Bristol, he says, is a boom town. Developers and local businessmen are scouring the city for every patch of unused land while property prices soar and expanding companies have to be turned away for lack of office space.

The place that 200 years ago grew fat on rum, slaves, sugar and tobacco [illegible] English city and [illegible]

The M4 is bringing insurance companies, banks, commercial headquarters and high-tech concerns to a city which is fast outgrowing its industrial past — the port and traditional industries such as paper and packaging, tobacco and food and drink. However, at the same time, the aerospace industry, still the biggest single employer, is flourishing.

Mr Boney adds: "This means that people are coming out of their old working-class community. They are buying their council houses and while their dads and granddads worked down the docks, the young people are far more likely to work in banks and computer firms."

Sir Robert Wall, leader of the Conservative group on the council where Labour has a majority of three over the other parties, echoes that diagnosis and adds: "I don't see Labour controlling Bristol from May 5".

Avonmouth is a touchstone for Tory hopes in more ways than one. Last October at a council by-election, the Conservatives overturned a socialist majority of more than 900 votes to win a ward they had not held for nearly 70 years.

On Thursday, they will be striving to hold on to that astonishing gain and take a further six seats from Labour among the 23 wards being contested out of the 68 making up the council. Privately, they acknowledge they will do well to take four and so engineer a hung authority. If so, they may be able to do a deal with the Democrats.

Labour is concentrating its efforts on maintaining its tradition while recapturing Avonmouth, taking a further seat from the Tories and ousting the sole Democrat councillor facing re-election.

In common with other parts of the country, Labour is concentrating on three key national issues, though all with significant local implications — the community charge, the housing Bill now going through Parliament, and the recent social security reforms.

Of the three, the housing changes, which will enable council tenants to opt out of local authority control and choose a private landlord, are provoking the greatest controversy.

Some 2,000 have been persuaded by Labour to leave the warmth of their firesides to attend public meetings at which the Bill had been bitterly attacked as a prelude to exploitation and Rachmanism.

Leaflets distributed by Bristol West Labour Housing Action have warned tenants that the policy will lead to whole estates being sold off, meaning: "Goodbye to friends and neighbours", threatened evictions and the arrival of "the nobs" — accusations that both the Tories and the Democrats reject.

Mr Jack Fisk, aged 65 and deputy leader of the council, says the Government has only itself to blame for publishing the Bill without giving precise details of how it will work in practice.

While the Conservatives are threatened by the possibility of a popular backlash triggered by the back-bench revolts over the poll tax and the social security changes, Labour faces an assault on another front.

Under its control, the council has set up women's and race equality committees, declared itself a nuclear free zone, indirectly twinned itself with Puerto Morazan in Nicaragua, and given small amounts of money to groups campaigning on behalf of lesbians and homosexuals.

According to the Tories, council support for a gay and lesbian festival held near the time of the Avonmouth by-election was a key factor in the collapse of the Labour vote and they expect the "loony left" factor to be working in their favour this week.

Meanwhile, the tide of prosperity flowing down the M4 shows no sign of abating.

District profile: Wirral

National issues put Tories on defensive

By Richard Ford

The M53 slices through Wirral symbolizing the division of a peninsular without an identity and overshadowed by its bigger neighbour, Liverpool.

Its grim shoreline along the River Mersey [illegible] associated with the decline of shipbuilding and related engineering industries while a few miles away, and a world apart, is the Dee Estuary.

Along its coastline, peppered with several of the district's 14 golf courses, tranquil villages and small towns provide residential areas for the commuters from Liverpool and, increasingly, Chester, the well off and the retired.

Not surprisingly, many people, including the leader of the Conservative group on Wirral Metropolitan District Council, consider themselves part of Cheshire rather than the much less glamorous sounding Merseyside.

In a good year the Conservatives could hope to regain control of a council they ran for 11 years until 1986 but they will consider themselves lucky to retain their position as the largest party in a hung hall where, for the past two years, no party has had an outright majority.

National and local issues are conspiring against them. By spending balances and reducing budget reserves, Labour kept rate increases to 7.2 per cent which fell to 4.4 per cent because of a reduction in the precept from boards controlling police, fire and transport for Merseyside.

The council's director of finance warned councillors that the "budget reserves and balances" had been reduced to a perilously low level and estimated that a rate increase of 35 per cent would be necessary next year.

Mr John Hale, leader of the Conservative group on the council, says that financial irresponsibility will take the Wirral along the road of [illegible] "loony left" councils and no one has [illegible] the consequences of [illegible] Labour's strategy of deliberately flouting rate-capping law in the knowledge that [illegible] Government would [illegible] because there is no alternative".

The Conservatives are trying to make capital out of a Labour-Social and Liberal Democrat (SLD) move to end the last vestige of selection on the peninsular by making schools [illegible] Upside and Bebington go comprehensive.

However, their offensive on rates and education is unlikely

● Social security changes are the big issue. Many of those most hit are probably people who voted Tory ●

to counter the defensive position the party has been forced to assume on the changes in social security benefits and growing fears about the poll tax.

Mr Hale said: "Social security benefit changes are the big issue. Many of those most hit are probably people who voted Conservative."

Labour and the SLD are delighted to let local Conservatives map the electoral damage caused by national decisions of which, in private, even Conservatives are bitterly critical.

Mr Peter Corcoran, leader of the Labour group, said: "Traditional Conservative voters are turning to Labour in disgust. In an area like this with high unemployment the issue of benefits is important to thousands of people."

Even with unemployment at about 19 per cent and its introduction of a programme that created 1,000 jobs locally, Labour is unable to build the political momentum to achieve a breakthrough and win overall control.

At best, it hopes to emerge as the largest single party and is exploiting latent resentment at the contrast between the regeneration across the Mersey at Albert Dock and their own treatment by the Merseyside Development Corporation.

"We are part of Merseyside but they have not spent the same amount on us. We want a bit of attention", Mr Corcoran said.

Untroubled by any serious challenge from two Ownesites of the continuing Social Democratic Party, the SLD expects to retain its pivotal role in the affairs of the "hung" authority.

It is shrugging off a threat to its traditional support among environmentalists from the Green Party and is hopeful of winning up to three seats from the Conservatives. "We are telling people that the last two years are evidence that the whole world does not end if no party has overall control. We have moderated the worst excesses of the other two", Mr Roy Perkins, the Liberal group leader, said.

Behind the battle for council seats, there is much intrigue and jockeying for position over a more important contest with persistent speculation that Mrs Lynda Chalker, Conservative MP for Wallasey, may be appointed to replace Lord Cockfield as a European Commissioner. Both Labour and the SLD relish the prospect of a by-election in a seat the Tories hold with a majority of only 279.

The state of the parties on Wirral council is: Conservative 29; Labour 27; SLD 10.

Brave Jacob leads caring dogs



Mrs Betty Harris and her German Shepherd Jacob in Hyde Park yesterday after a charity walk in London, one of several in Britain to raise money for Pro Dogs, which promotes dogs as useful companions. Jacob was awarded a Pro Dog gold medal for retrieving Mrs Harris' handbag from a mugger after she was knocked down (Photograph: Peter Trievnor).

Machine to upgrade early recordings

By Robert Matthews
Technology Correspondent

A machine about to be unveiled by the National Sound Archive promises to make 100-year recordings sound as if they were made yesterday.

Restoration experts have had to work directly with the sounds generated by damaged recordings. But storing sounds and using them to patch over defects disappointed. The machine takes advantage of research in digital signal processing of the type used in defence.

Computer-enhanced digital audio restoration has been developed by Dr Peter Rayner and Mr Saeed Vaseghi of Cambridge University's engineering department. Sounds from worn or broken recordings are sampled 40,000 times a second as the machine turns them into a stream of numbers. The "digitised" result is fed into a computer.

Mathematical imitations of sounds of musical instruments and voices have been developed, enabling the computer to estimate what sounds have been lost by scratches and cracks. The computer fills in the damage under human guidance.

Noises generated by cracks can be removed, and surface noise almost totally removed.

The machine takes many hours to process a single record, but researchers believe it should be possible to do the job in under three hours.

Amendments a threat to abortion reform Bill

By Martin Fletcher
Political Reporter

By 9.30 on Friday morning Mr David Alton will learn whether his abortion Bill stands a chance of becoming the first contested private member's legislation to reach the statute book in 20 years.

The moral arguments will have been rehearsed *ad nauseam*. The minds of all but a tiny handful of MPs will have been made up. The outcome of months of campaigning will depend on that most arcane of commodities, House of Commons procedure.

The man who determines that procedure is the Speaker, Mr Bernard Weatherill.

Mr Alton's problems are two-fold: His Bill has just five hours to complete its report stage and he wants the legal limit for abortion to remain as close as possible to the 18 weeks that his Bill proposes.

Which amendments the Speaker selects and in what order is therefore critical, and that is what Mr Alton, whose Christian supporters will have just ended an all-night vigil at Westminster, will learn at 9.30am. He will also learn whether enough of his supporters have turned out on a Friday to secure him a majority for an 18 or 20-week limit.

Mr Alton's opponents, led by the Tory MP Mr Andrew Mackay and Labour's Ms Jo Richardson, have tabled a number of amendments unrelated to the weeks issue. If the Speaker accepts one of these, Mr Alton's supporters admit their chances of completing the report stage by 2.30pm would be reduced.

Nazi team sifts 200 allegations

By Michael Horsnell

An inquiry launched in March to uncover Nazi war criminals living in Britain is investigating more than 200 allegations, the Home Office disclosed yesterday.

Sir Thomas Hetherington, former Director of Public Prosecutions, is examining them, along with Mr William Chalmers, former Crown Agent in Scotland. They will advise Mr Douglas Hurd, Home Secretary, where there is sufficient evidence to justify a prosecution.

So far Sir Thomas and Mr Chalmers are believed to have found the allegations of varying substance. They have been to West Germany to examine archive material and are expected to visit Israel, Canada, the Soviet Union, Australia, and the United States. Their report to Mr Hurd is not expected until next year.

King's Cross Underground fire

Inquiry may overlap with the inquest

By Tony Dawe and Rodney Cowton

The public inquiry into the King's Cross Underground fire is so far behind schedule that it may clash with the inquest into the 31 deaths caused by the blaze.

The prospect of two separate official investigations, both funded by the Government, is alarming ministers and lawyers.

Costs of the inquiry, which has sat for 54 days, are rising steeply that at least two bodies have [illegible] and may be forced to withdraw and the inquiry may need to find a third leader.

The coroner's inquest was expected to have been held once the inquiry report on the causes of the fire and the lessons to be learned had been completed. However, that might take until October, nearly a year after the disaster.

Dr Douglas Chambers, the St Pancras coroner who will conduct the inquest, said: "The memories of the witnesses will fade as the months go by and I am reluctant to make relatives wait so long for the death certificates of the victims".

The most likely date for the inquest is early next month, three weeks before the public inquiry hearing is expected to finish.

An earlier inquest is ruled out because Dr Chambers is waiting for a High Court decision on May 23 on his directions which led a jury on a recent case to return a verdict of "unlawful killing". The same verdict is one of the options open to the jury which will consider the King's Cross deaths.

If it waits until July, after the public inquiry is over, the holiday season will have started and it will be difficult to get all the interested parties together.

The inquiry is taking far longer than expected. There are lawyers representing nine different organizations taking an active part, and each may question every witness.

Mr Roger Henderson, QC, counsel for the inquiry, spent five days on his opening speech to its second part during which he made wide ranging criticism of London Transport which the company insists its 25 witnesses should refute in detail.

The inquiry was expected to finish last week when the availability of Central Hall, Westminster, its first home, expired. It will move to a new venue, Church House, Westminster, today, but that is available only until June 24.

By the end of this month, the investigation will be the longest judicial inquiry, overtaking the 74 days of the Cleveland child abuse inquiry which ended last January. If it runs to the target date of June 24, it will have sat for 90 days.

The total cost will run into several million pounds. Legal fees are likely to exceed £1.5 million and additional sums have been spent on assembling the evidence, scientific research and administration. The costs incurred by London Regional Transport alone have been estimated at £3,000 for every day that the inquiry sits.

The Association of London Authorities said it had spent £75,000 and would have to withdraw unless Mr Paul Channon, Secretary of State for Transport, agreed that its costs could be met by the Government.

The Prodorite company, of Wednesbury, West Midlands, withdrew from the inquiry two weeks ago after its B2 special paint was provisionally cleared of responsibility for causing the flashover which turned the fire into an inferno.

The company estimated its costs at that point as "running into six figures".

Tour lined up for the Ring cycle

By Andrew Billen

The Royal Opera is planning to use the temporary closure of its Covent Garden home between 1993 and 1995 to take opera to the provinces and to reduce London ticket prices.

If the objections of protesters are over-ruled, the Opera House will be closed for two seasons in the early 1990s to allow a £100 million redevelopment of the building and its surrounding site.

Although negotiations are going on for a temporary London base, the Royal Opera is building up a repertoire of productions that could be taken to regional opera houses during the period.

The first likely to leave London is Wagner's *Ring* cycle, the first part of which, *Das Rheingold*, is to be performed this September with the full cycle ready by 1991.

Normally *Der Ring des Nibelungen* would be considered too bulky to transport. However, in contrast to the massive hydraulic sets of the last production, this is being mounted on a collapsible stage, designed by Yuri Lyubimov and Paul Hernon.

Negotiations are going on with venues in Manchester and Birmingham and with the Albert Hall, a space Bernard Haitink, the conductor, is known to like.

The Albert Hall has more than double the Royal Opera House's capacity, and would therefore allow seat prices to be kept down.

Mr Paul Findlay, Covent Garden opera director, said that moving a company of more than 300 out of London was expensive; he hoped to find commercial sponsorship.

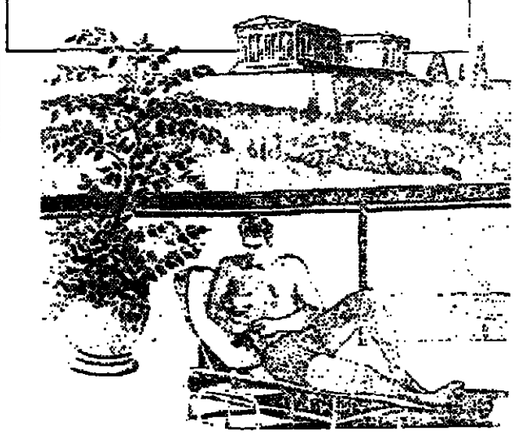
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Britons go for the green-eyed tin men

SALEROOM

By Huon Mallalieu

While I must disclaim any great expertise in the subject, it would seem that the most desirable toy robots were made by the former Axis powers from about 1940 to 1960 and are now sold in The Netherlands to English collectors against American and German competition.

Yesterday in Amsterdam, Christie's devoted their morning not to Van Gogh or Rembrandt, but to whirring, flashing and often gaudily-painted tin-plate toys. The most popular image of a robot, despite all developments on film and in the real world since 1948, remains the rectangular metal chap lurching about the table-top represented here by "Nando, il Roboto a Telecomando!" which was made by Opset of Italy and activated by a squeezed rubber air bulb.

That sold for 4,255 Dutch florins or £1,215, roughly doubling its estimate.

In the Fifties and Sixties the Japanese led the nursery world in robot technology. Some, such as "Answergame", which was made by Ichida and brought the highest bid of the session, 4,830 dutch florins or £1,380, were educational as well as amusing. This was a flashing-eyed robot which was also a simple but practical calculating machine in the form of a game.

Others, such as the battery-operated "Space Explorer", made by Yonezawa also in the sixties, were distinctly surreal placings. When quiescent this toy, which sold for 4,715 dutch florins or £1,347, resembles a jazz age radio set; when operational it transforms itself into a flashing green-eyed figure lumbering about and displaying an operator in the chest.

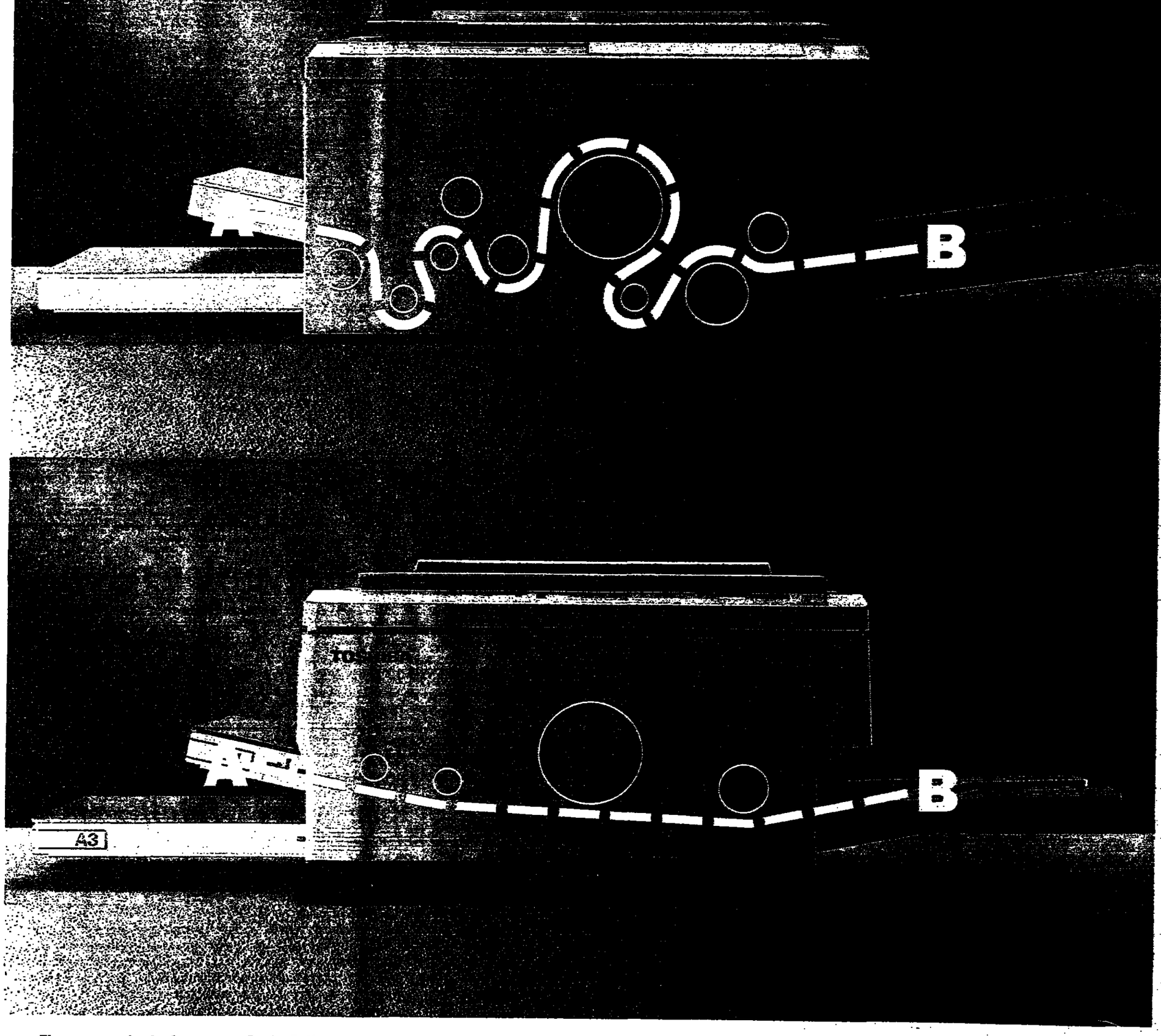
The West Germans developed a formidable armoury of sparking and whizzing tin-plate ray guns, but with the Italians a sense of humour, allied to a strong sense of design, could not be kept at bay for long.

By the late 1960s the original rectangular robot had become a battery-operated iron confectionery dispenser, 4ft 6in high, with the traditional flashing eyes and a window display chest, but venting its contents in the manner of a twentieth century Mannequin Pis.

This collector's item sold for 4,370 dutch florins or £1,248, slightly above its upper estimate. Any competent art historian would have no difficulty in relating the style of *The Times* cartoonist Barry Fantoni to this knobbly-kneed figure.

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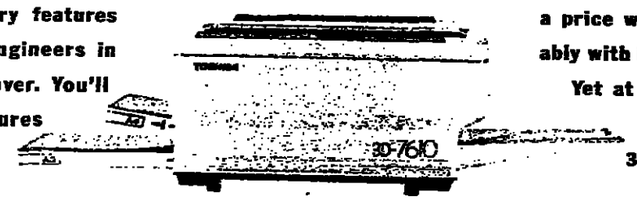
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Officials said that [illegible] screaming [illegible] began to [illegible] said defective [illegible] the tragedy. [illegible] ment had [illegible] built the [illegible] four officials.

Reagan's star flaws

Washington [illegible] Mrs Reagan consults astrologers before [illegible] according [illegible] Donald R[illegible] this month (Michael Binyon writes). The latest issue of *Newsweek* said Mr Regan, who was dismissed largely at Mrs Reagan's instigation in March last year, has given the President "a glove" treatment in his book. But *Newsweek* quotes friends of Mrs Reagan saying that she takes a "tough hit". One remark made by the abrasive former aide is that she demand[illegible] travel sche[illegible] with stargaz[illegible]

General must stay on

Bangkok [illegible] the Thai Prime Minister, [illegible] allow the military chief, General [illegible] to resign (Neil Kelly writes). He [illegible] taking up [illegible] election in [illegible]

The Prime [illegible] who wants [illegible] Army. How[illegible] with the growing support for General Chavalit as a political leader and [illegible] popularity. [illegible] General Chavalit to leave.

Jewish emigration up

Geneva (Reuter) [illegible] rose to 1,877 in [illegible] 1981 when [illegible] Intergovernmental [illegible]

In the [illegible] emigration for the year ending in 2,102 compared with 1,431 in the first four months of 1987, last year 8,011 Jews left the Soviet Union, more than eight times the number in 1986 and the highest number allowed to leave since 1981, when 9,360 emigrated.

Engines scare on 747

Tokyo (Reuter) — Failure of the fuel system caused the failure of at least two engines on problems for a third on a United Airlines Boeing [illegible] to Tokyo yesterday, a Transport Ministry official said. The 747, with 239 passengers and 19 crew on board, landed at Narita with only one engine fully functioning. No one was reported hurt.

A UA spokesman said [illegible] the jet lost the use of one engine about 70 minutes [illegible] another about 30 minutes later and a third just before landing.

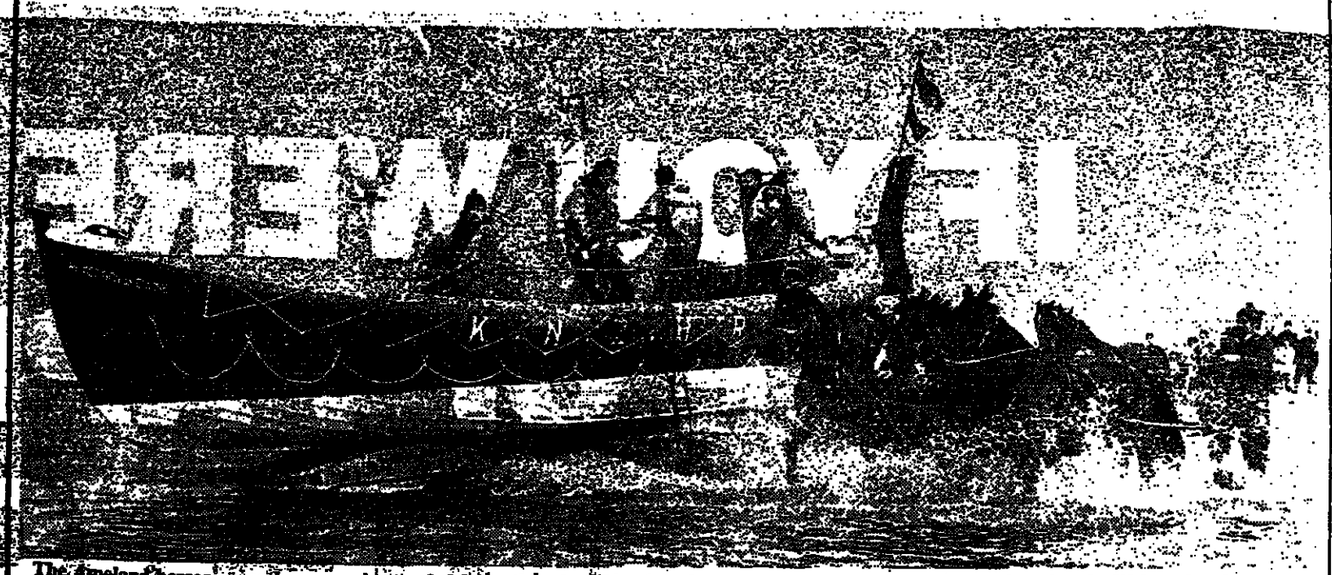
● KAHULUI, Hawaii: Analysis of an Aloha Airlines Boeing 737 which lost part of its fuselage before making an emergency [illegible] last week found cracks apparently caused by metal [illegible] National Transport and FAA reports).

Hu[illegible] strike ends

Athens — [illegible] objector f[illegible] Sunday a[illegible] Govern[illegible] years' co[illegible] writes). H[illegible] yesterday [illegible] on the ca[illegible] Greek Or[illegible] stipulated [illegible] roles. Mr [illegible] Greece wh[illegible]

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Ameland horses end 160 years of rescue



The Ameland horses — another group is out of sight on the other side of the boat — plunging into the water after dragging the lifeboat for about half a mile over sand dunes and launching it for one of the last times into the Wadden Sea off the northern Netherlands. Photograph: Denzil McNeelance

The horses of Ameland in [illegible] West Frisian Islands are retiring from life-saving after 160 years (Julian Haviland writes). The unique precision-trained team of 12 horses and their predecessors have launched the island's lifeboat in all weathers, saving the lives of scores of sailors and yachtsmen whose vessels have gone aground in the treacherous shallows of the Wadden Sea.

But at the end of April the old lifeboat, Mar Adriaan de Bruine, was superseded by a modern jet-engined boat which goes nearly four times as [illegible] off the northern Netherlands [illegible] together the team of men and horses and to keep the old boat seaworthy.

In a serious work-out last weekend, the horses, in less than 30 minutes from the raising of the alarm, pulled the heavy boat and carriage half a mile from the village boathouse over the dunes and into the water. The horses enjoy their work, plunging into the surf as soon as the beachmaster blows his whistle.

In 1979 the village was stricken when the carriage fell into deep water, pulling down and drowning eight of the horses.

Budapest hints at Kadar downfall

From Richard Bassett, Budapest

Hungary's forthcoming Communist Party conference, expected to begin on May 20, will almost certainly settle the issue of Mr. Janos Kadar's successor as party leader, Mr Karoly Grosz, the Prime Minister, said here yesterday.

Speaking to a group of British journalists on the eve of his visit to London tomorrow, Mr. Grosz said that it would be up to the delegates at the conference to "decide whether they can continue to count on Janos Kadar as leader of the party or whether they would prefer to choose [illegible]

But he made it clear the party is thinking of a successor, and if you ask me after May 10 when the Central Committee has met, I shall be more confident."

Mr Kadar, who is said by sources in Budapest to be unwilling to relinquish the leadership of the party he has led since 1956, has been under considerable pressure to step down in recent months. The belief of many within the party — that Hungary must adopt vigorous "restructuring" to escape galloping inflation and the worst debt crisis of any country within the Soviet bloc — has reinforced this pressure. The party conference is expected to decide the programme of changes to rehabilitate the economy.

But Mr Grosz, who at 57 is believed to be keen to step into Mr Kadar's shoes, yesterday implied strongly that he himself was not a suitable candidate.

"I've been working in the Government for less than 10 months," he said. "Though it is natural to think of me as a candidate, I must say that were I a voter, I would not choose a Prime Minister who has enjoyed power for only 10 months. A longer time is needed to show efficiency in politics."

Mr Grosz also hinted that should Mr Kadar not heed a call by the party to step down, he could be removed. "The Central Committee has authority to recall any elected party leader at any time."

Mr Grosz, when not talking about the succession problem, was enthusiastic about Mrs Thatcher, his host during the three-day visit.

During a long discussion of British politics, the Hungarian Prime Minister said: "The experience of the British Government since 1979 and its restructuring of industry since then holds valuable lessons for Hungary. We must learn to see things through your eyes."

But he admitted that Hungary, however enthusiastically it embraced Thatcherism, would find it impossible to revitalize its economy as Britain had apparently done.

Although Mr Grosz is committed to reform, he nevertheless made it clear yesterday that he would not be in favour of changes imposed on the party from without.

"There are thousands of ways of struggling for change within a party. Those who do so without must learn to take the consequences of parting company with the party."

Sources in Budapest later interpreted this as a reference to the recent expulsion of several party members who have criticized the system.

Meanwhile, the first meeting organized by hundreds of Hungarians calling for a multi-party democracy took place on Sunday evening without interference from the authorities. More than 700 Hungarians, dissidents, writers, and artists signed a wide-ranging manifesto demanding an end to the Communist Party's monopoly of power. The document also called for the removal of Soviet troops on Hungarian soil.

The organization, called Network of Free Thinkers, is probably the most striking symptom to date of the changes taking place in Hungary as the call for reform both within and without the party gathers momentum.

The signatures on the manifesto were only numbered in hundreds, but the organizers were confident that they revealed a potential support numbering several thousand.

Although the organization's inaugural meeting was tolerated by the authorities, it is unlikely to have found favour with the more inflexible members of the party. Even Mr Grosz said in yesterday's interview that pressure for change from without the party was something which was usually the result of a minority "nursing grievances".

Parliament was "essential" for such changes, Mr Grosz said.

"Our Parliament must set the rules of the game," he said. The future of such organizations as Network would depend on the decisions taken within the Parliament later this year.

Political aide dies after exposé

From Michael Binyon
Washington

The chief aide to a Maryland congressman leaped to his death from the window of his New York hotel room on the 24th floor the day after *The Washington Post* published a front-page article documenting his "unorthodox" social demands on male staff.

Mr Tom Pappas, the aide to Congressman Roy Dyson, was found dead on Sunday afternoon. Police said he left a "short, sad little poem" as a suicide note, but did not mention the article in the *Post*. He had expressed sadness to friends on the telephone about the article, and a federal election review of irregularities in his handling of Mr Dyson's campaign finances.

The Washington Post said Mr Pappas had put pressure on young male staff members not to date women for a year and to socialize with him in the evenings. One had resigned and another was dismissed when they refused to attend a private party Mr Dyson held last November. Mr Pappas, who was divorced, was reported as telling one male staff member that he would have to perform a striptease at an office retreat.

The Washington Post said it had no comment on Mr Pappas's death. It said yesterday that it had made repeated requests to Mr Pappas and Mr Dyson for interviews before publishing the article, but they had refused.

Mr Dyson, a four-term Democrat, represents a congressional district that has been plagued by scandal. His predecessor, Mr Robert Bauman, a leading conservative Republican elected in 1973, was accused of soliciting a 16-year-old male prostitute, but charges were dropped when he agreed to be counselled for alcoholism.

In 1962 a Democratic incumbent was defeated after being indicted for accepting money in exchange for political influence, and went to prison in 1970. His Republican successor was alleged to have lobbied Mr John Mitchell, President Nixon's Attorney General, to help finance the expenses of the Republican who succeeded him in 1971, who in turn shot himself in 1973 amid allegations that he failed to report a campaign contribution.

●**Jackson attacks:** The Rev Jesse Jackson stepped up direct attacks on Governor Michael Dukakis over the weekend, as he fought an uphill battle to mobilize support for today's Ohio and Indiana primaries. Opinion polls indicated that Mr Dukakis would win the Ohio contest by a 3-1 margin.

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Aftermath of Netherlands killings

Dutch fear more terror attacks by IRA

From Richard Owen, Amsterdam

Dutch security experts believe that the weekend murders of three RAF men in the Netherlands by the IRA marked not an attempt to open propaganda campaign to Gibraltar [illegible] but rather [illegible] more carefully planned attacks against British targets on the Continent.

The Dutch daily *De Volkskrant*, referring to "the long arm of the IRA", called the killings "the most serious act of terrorism on the continent of Europe so far". It added: "The terrorists have recovered their balance."

Dutch officials said that the IRA, which had [illegible] special links [illegible] groups and the Irish community [illegible] found The Netherlands and Belgium relatively easy to operate in.

The IRA — exploiting the increasingly open frontiers of Europe as it approaches integration in 1992 — is able to link up with terrorists from other European countries, including West Germany, the sources said, and did not necessarily need to bring "hit teams" to the Continent. "The IRA undoubtedly has sleeper units in place," one police expert said.

The security authorities have identified a terrorist network in Europe, embracing the IRA, Basque separatists, the Italian Red Brigades and West Germany's Red Army Faction. These groups aid one another with guns, cash and escape routes.

Over the past three years there has been a resurgence of "Euro-terrorism", beginning with the murders of prominent arms industrialists in 1985 by Action Directe in France and the Red Army Faction in Germany. The three groups, [illegible] have [illegible] European [illegible] terrorist [illegible] attacks. "There is [illegible] cross-border [illegible] expert said. "It has to be tackled on a cross-frontier way."

France, West Germany and Italy regularly exchange computer information to keep track of terrorist suspects, both European and Middle Eastern. And EEC counter-terrorism experts have proposed that national security services should maintain liaison officers on other European countries' police forces.

None the less, in a free society — as Dutch Justice Ministry officials point out — determined terrorists and other criminals are extremely difficult to stop. In many parts of the Continent, frontier checks have been almost completely abolished already, in anticipation of 1992.

The Low Countries have been a "soft target" for the past decade, with an IRA catalogue of terror stretching from the murder in 1979 of Sir Richard Sykes, the British Ambassador to the Netherlands, to Saturday's murder of three airmen at Nieuw Bergen and Roermond. In between came an IRA bomb in Brussels under a bandstand where a British Army band was due to perform, an attempt on the life of Mr Christopher Tugendhat in 1980, when he was an EEC commissioner in Brussels, and last year's car-bomb attack at Rheindahlen, the British Army HQ just over the border in West Germany, in which the IRA used a car driven across from The Netherlands.

The answer, senior EEC officials believe, lies not in abandoning the programme for abolishing internal frontiers, but in reinforcing controls at EEC external frontiers, and in improving the exchange of information between intelligence services, using sophisticated modern technology.

The problems are exemplified by Amsterdam, which, with its liberal atmosphere, drugs culture and reputation as an arms-running centre, offers sanctuary for IRA sympathisers. An organization founded by the Irish community here and known as the Netherlands Ireland Committee (or alternatively the Irish Information Centre) publicizes the activities of Sinn Fein and campaigns openly against the British military presence in Ulster.

On the canals, there are several Irish bars and folk-song cafes, including the Kobalt, the Dubliner and the Shiny. None of the young Irishmen at such places approved of the killings, but some were definitely ambivalent, reflecting a widely-held view among the Amsterdam Irish that the "Brits" should get out of Ireland. The Netherlands Ireland Committee itself yesterday issued a statement regretting the killings and the fact that they took place on Dutch soil, but putting the blame squarely on "the attitude of the British Government over the past few months".

What is not clear is whether the horrifying murders in the two Dutch border towns will lead to a drop — even temporary — in any latent support there may be for extreme Irish nationalism in Amsterdam's sub-culture.

Last year two IRA men who had been behind the Maze Prison breakout in 1983 — Gerard Kelly and Brendan McFarlane — were extradited to Britain after they had been arrested by Dutch police, after a tip from the British security services under the new anti-terrorism co-operation procedures. But the proceedings took nearly nine months, and some Dutch officials believe that some IRA sympathisers who poured in to Amsterdam during that period to try to prevent the extradition may have stayed on.

One Amsterdamer complained yesterday: "We are getting rather tired of Ireland and the Irish problem. It is about time they stopped bringing the Irish conflict to Holland."

Italians refrain from blast at Tokyo on trade surplus

From Roger Boyes in Rome and Andrew McEwen

Mr Noburu Takeshita, the Japanese Prime Minister, yesterday completed his visit to Rome, the first stop of his European tour, with only glancing criticism about the size of his country's trade surplus with Europe. He arrives in London today and will face sharper comment.

Mr Takeshita was the guest of Signor Ciriaco De Mita, the Prime Minister, who was undertaking his first big international meeting since solving the Italian political crisis last month. Both are experienced coalition politicians, but Mr Takeshita proved the more experienced.

"Some problems existed in the trade relations between Europe and Japan", Signor De Mita said with Oriental sensitivity, but they could be resolved without obstructing trade. That was the Italian Prime Minister's main reference to the trade surplus debate.

● **We would welcome an integrated market, provided it is free** ●

Mr Takeshita, with Latin subtlety, replied that he hoped that "these problems, if indeed they could be said to be such", should be resolved in a way that expanded and did not contract trade.

He voiced Tokyo's fear that an integrated European market in 1992 would operate against Japan. He told Signor De Mita: "We would welcome an integrated market, provided it is free and not discriminatory to the rest of the world."

The Italian leader said that 1992 would benefit absolutely everybody, though, as his advisers privately admit, there had not been much thought applied to the possible effects on Japan.

Signor De Mita praised Japanese efforts to stimulate domestic demand, as well as the scope of Tokyo's economic aid to the developing world. Italy was keen to see more Japanese investment and more scientific exchanges.

Japan, for its part, was happy to co-operate with Italy in Third World projects. Politically, it would like to see Western Europe sending more aid to President Aquino of the Philippines and to give diplomatic support to Prince Sihanouk of Cambodia.

Much of the discussion yesterday was taken up with the geometary of politics. The Japanese Prime Minister said there were three pillars of the West — Japan, the United States and Western Europe. These, somehow, formed a triangle. Signor De Mita agreed that, somehow, this was the case. But Mr Takeshita said that he would like the triangle to have equi-distant sides, rather than be, say, an isosceles triangle.

Signor De Mita nodded his agreement.

Diplomatic dates were written into calendars: the Japanese leader will return to Europe in early June (when he will visit France), while Signor De Mita will make Tokyo one of his first foreign trips.

Clearly the big guns of Europe and Japan will only begin to thunder in London. On the eve of Mr Noboru Takeshita's arrival in London, Japan reported a slight reduction in its foreign trade surplus.

The Japanese Prime Minister's aides will have breathed a sigh of relief that the figures did not point the other way. They have been showing concern that he should make a good impression at his meeting with Mrs Thatcher tomorrow. Her view that Japan's surplus has long remained too great was — and probably still is — the darkest cloud.

The change announced was not dramatic. Japan's balance of trade in goods and services with the rest of the world slipped to US$8.12 billion (£4.32 billion) in March, against $8.49 billion in the same month last year, coupled with a bigger slowdown in Japanese investments abroad. But the Bank of Japan's economist, Mr Soichiro Akahane, predicted that the trends would continue.

That would help to smooth not only Anglo-Japanese relations but also wider Japanese links with the European Community. Tokyo's surplus in trade with the EEC last year was $20 billion, against $16.7 billion in 1986.

In preparing for the visit, Japan's envoys have emphasized their view that Mrs Thatcher will emerge as the unofficial leader of the West when President Reagan steps down next January. They expect her to share part of that role with Mr Takeshita in June at the summit of the West's seven biggest industrial powers in Toronto.

● **Japan is happy to co-operate on Third World projects** ●

Even allowing for Japanese modesty in foreign affairs, the attitudes some officials have shown towards Mrs Thatcher have surprised observers. One senior official compared Mr Takeshita's visit with a trip to see "the boss".

Mrs Thatcher is likely to give greater weight to practical issues. She can be expected to look for clear answers to Britain's demands that two more British firms should be allowed into the Tokyo Stock Exchange, and that Japanese tax rates on whisky should be reduced. Mr Takeshita has a reputation for speaking ambiguously, but she will not be easily satisfied with answers which merely hint at future helpfulness.

When Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Foreign Secretary, visited Japan in January it was agreed that the two countries would aim for "a new, dynamic and plain-speaking partnership". Officials in both countries have been wondering how to put the good intentions into practice.

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Ethiopian troops prepare to launch offensive

By Andrew McEwen
Diplomatic Correspondent

Never before has a battle in the Ethiopian civil war been so heavily advertised in advance. And never has the risk been greater that the fighting will seriously aggravate the country's famine. After five weeks of intensive preparations by the Ethiopian Government, its counter-offensive against secessionist movements in Eritrea and Tigre is believed to be imminent.

The worst nightmare of aid agencies and charities is that it will force huge numbers of people, already weakened by hunger, to flee. Emergency food distribution has been cut by fighting and government restrictions, and could collapse entirely. Mass movements of population were a contributory cause of the high death toll in the 1984 famine, although the war was then a secondary problem.

But Western diplomatic sources believe that President Mengistu cannot delay much longer. An estimated 100,000 to 150,000 government troops in the north have been waiting for weeks. Observers believe that he will not risk allowing morale to slip.

His speeches, coupled with Ethiopian radio broadcasts, have created a climate of anticipation. It is bolstered by the party slogan "Everything to the war front". In an emotionally-charged May Day speech President Mengistu called for the rebellion to be crushed. It was his third such appeal in a month. Previously the Government had always referred to the rebels dismissively as "bandits". In a speech to the Central Committee of the Workers' Party on March 31, the President admitted that the Government was fighting "grim battles".

Diplomatic moves on two fronts have freed the Government to commit more forces to the counter-offensive. The peace agreement between Ethiopia and Somalia, signed on April 3, has reduced one of Addis Ababa's heaviest commitments. The Ethiopians announced a week ago that the two countries' armies had completed their disengagement. Since the withdrawal, convoys of lorries have been carrying thousands of troops, many of them teenagers, to the north.

A reconciliation between Ethiopia and Sudan could also be in the making. Delegations from both countries met in Addis Ababa last week, and Mr Berhanu Bayih, the Ethiopian Foreign Minister, said relations were at a crossroads.

But Western diplomats emphasize that, despite the preparations, it will not be easy for the President to defeat the Tigré People's Liberation Front or the Eritrean People's Liberation Front. That impression was further reinforced yesterday when the Eritrean front claimed it had shelled the port of Massawa and had also killed 222 government troops near Asmara.

The claims could not be confirmed, but Western diplomats believe that the rebels are keeping up the military pressure. And they suggest that President Mengistu's political future could be in question if the counter-offensive achieves less than the "once and for all solution" he wants.

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Ariane gives Europe the leading edge in satellite launches

From Pearce Wright, Kourou, French Guiana

The European space programme was strengthened yesterday with the unveiling of the latest and most powerful addition to the Ariane family of satellite launch vehicles.

The Ariane4 is planned to be Europe's space workhorse in the next 10 years, putting 100 commercial and scientific satellites into orbit.

It will take about six weeks to prepare the Ariane4 for its launch debut. The new rocket is designed to carry either one of the largest satellites into space, or a number of smaller ones. On the demonstration flight, Ariane4 will carry three satellites: a meteorological one for European weather forecasting, a pan-American communications satellite, and a *small amateur communications* satellite.

On an adjacent launch pad at the French Space Centre in Kourou, one of its smaller cousins, Ariane2, is being checked for a launch in three weeks' time.

Mr Klaus Iserland, of Arianespace, the commercial arm of the European Space Agency, emphasized the commercial importance of working on more than one rocket at a time. He added that Arianespace hoped to be launching almost one rocket a month in three years' time.

Since the organization was formed in 1980 — the first commercial company to sell launch vehicles on the world market — it has won 50 per cent of the orders for communications, weather and earth observation satellites and scientific spacecraft.

The order book for the launch of 43 satellites is worth more than £1,500 million to the European space industry. However, Mr Iserland says that the market is becoming highly competitive.

The imminent re-entry of the American space industry into expendable rockets is accompanied by campaigns by the Soviet Union and China to take a share of the business. But he believes that Arianespace can only be undercut if Moscow and Peking dump subsidized launch vehicles on the market. One of the main advantages enjoyed by the European agency is the position of its launch site. As the nearestto the Equator, it gives the equivalent of a 15 per cent saving in fuel needed to reach the orbit in which satellites are placed. Nevertheless, the Europeans are acutely aware of the competition.

Until 1981, the United States was the only country to export launch services. But when the shuttle started flying, the development of conventional launchers was stopped. After the Challenger explosion, however, production lines for conventional launchers were re-opened in 1986 for military work.

The new generation of US launchers is derived from well-known families of rockets. Originally developed for military contracts, these launchers have undergone improvements to increase their capacity for commercial satellites and make them more competitive.

After the Challenger disaster, the Soviet Union opened its formidable launch capacity to the interuational market and China followed suit with the Long march3 rocket. In addition, Japan is developing a modern medium-sized launcher, the H1, which it has reserved for its own launches. But it is also developing the H2, comparable with Ariane4, which should be on the market in about five years' time.

Israeli jails serve as 'Arab university'



A woman putting a protective arm around her terrified child as Palestinian factions clashed in Chatila and other Beirut refugee camps yesterday. Fifteen people were killed and 50 hurt.

From Ian Murray, al-Amari Camp, West Bank

The electricity lines strung across the streets of the camp are festooned with bits of string knotted to stones, bottles, shoe-polish tins and pieces of stick. Each of them represents a short-lived attempt to fly the forbidden Palestinian flag, which is "hoisted" by tying it to a weighted piece of string and throwing it over the cable.

It is a dangerous game. At least five Palestinian boys have been electrocuted in the past four months, either tossing up flags or, under orders from Israeli troops, pulling them down.

Last Sunday evening, a 17-year-old boy in the village of Beit Wazan, near Nablus, became the latest to die in this way. But the dangers do not seem to worry Munir, a 12-year-old boy in this angry camp south of Ramallah.

Putting up the flag and throwing stones, he says, are the favourite sports of the boys in the camp. With his arm, he has a range of just 30 yards but with his sling-shot he reckons he can fling a stone 70 yards.

Yesterday, the camp's 4,500 residents were not throwing stones but saving their energies because they were fasting for Ramadan. The two Israeli soldiers on the high block of flats, near the sealed-off main entrance to the camp, could have seen little suspicious through their binoculars as they systematically studied the alleyways.

But in talking to the residents it is obvious that anger at the occupation has grown perceptibly stronger since the unrest began. A chief cause appears to be the comradeship and determination that builds up in prison, where so many have now spent at least a few weeks. The same picture is *appearing throughout the* occupied territories.

There were, in fact, hardly any incidents reported yesterday and, for the first time in more than two months, there were no curfews in force anywhere. Although Israeli Army sources hope this means that the uprising is starting to burn itself out, they are cautious. The widespread militancy has shown that fresh trouble can break out at any time, anywhere.

Mr Yitzhak Rabin, the Defence Minister, served warning last week that those who had been arrested so far were not what he called "generals or colonels" but rather "platoon commanders", and their numbers showed how widespread militancy was.

With former prisoners seen as soldiers and even heroes of the uprising in the camps, the mass arrests during the past four months have apparently succeeded in recruiting a militant army. Munir is the only one of four brothers who has not yet been arrested or imprisoned, although he describes proudly, if a little fearfully, how he once dodged bullets when he sneaked into camp during a curfew and how once he was beaten for refusing to answer questions.

On the wall of his family's home are the pictures of two of his brothers who are now in prison. His closest brother, Samir, is only 19 and, although free, already a veteran of four arrests.

"I admitted doing things the first time and they sent me to prison for two years," he explained. "I learnt then not to admit things and the other times they had to let me go after 18 days."

He said prisons were the best place to learn things. "The prisons are universities. I have learnt much in prison, particularly about the Palestinian cause from prisoners serving long sentences.

"Being humiliated, tortured and beaten up only makes you more and more hateful of Israel and faithful to Palestine. Comradeships add fuel to the fire of our resistance. In prison we feel we are soldiers of the revolution."

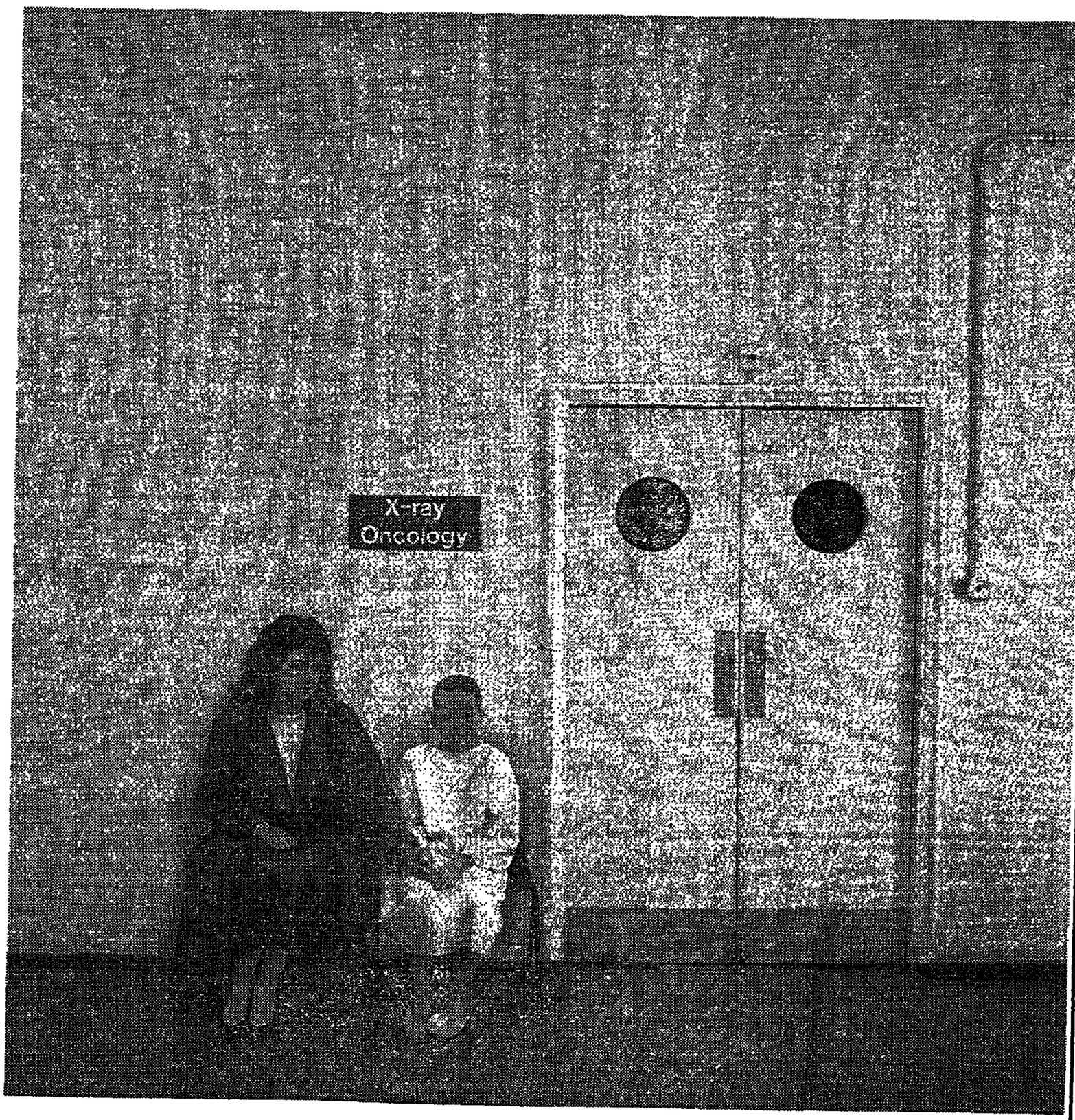
He was last arrested at 3am on March 28. His story is a common one these days in homes throughout the camp. Nobody can even think of a single family where at least one person has not been arrested.

He described how he was beaten by the soldiers who arrested him, beaten in Ramallah military prison and beaten again 36 hours later when he arrived, blindfolded, at Dahariyah detention centre, south of Hebron. He said he was beaten while he was interrogated, beaten when he refused to call the leader of the Palestine Liberation Organization rude names and beaten when he refused to praise right-wing extremist Israeli leaders.

But he said that, when he refused to admit anything, he was put into a cell, measuring only 7ft by 12ft, with 17 others. It was so small, he said, that they could only lie down on their sides if they wanted to try to sleep.

But in the overcrowded cell he rediscovered the comradeship and spirit he had known in his previous spells in prison. "I have good relations with all those people. They are my mates. It is a very, very strong friendship. We were all in prison for the same reason. In prison you make the best friendships in the world."

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Massive plague of African locusts sweeps eastwards

From Roger Boyes, Rome

The hardy, hungry desert locust, the scourge of biblical times, is threatening to drop from the skies in the next month or so on to the unsuspecting sunbathers of southern Europe.

If that horrific vision were the only problem facing Dr Lukas Brader, the locust expert of the Rome-based Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), then he could breathe easily. Instead, he runs to the phone to take fizzy, alarmed, long-distance calls. "The locusts," he says with a sigh, "have now reached Cape Verde."

The plague, stripping hundreds of miles of crops a week, is already regarded as the worst since the 1950s. The locusts are moving thick and fast across North Africa, leaving a trail of ruined farms and useless crops chewed to a stubble. They are flying from breeding areas in remote zones of northern Mauritania and southern Morocco into north-west Africa and the Sahel, south of the Sahara.

Dr Edouard Saouma, head of the FAO — which is co-ordinating the crisis units through Dr Brader's Emergency Centre for Locust Operations — says that the "current plague could spread to East Africa, the Near East, Pakistan and India in the next one-and-a-half years".

That was more than a fund-raising speech: the last great plague, in the 1950s, took 13 years to clean up. Dr Brader, the burly Dutch locust man, already sees signs that this plague will be even worse. Everything, this time, is happening much earlier, and traditional obstacles, such as the Atlas Mountains, are not blocking the swarm.

By comparison, the invasion of European beaches will be slight. Some locusts have been blown off course to southern Spain, Sicily and Malta, but a cold spell killed them off. More substantial numbers might start to come in late May or June, when the next generation of adults is produced. Whether they head towards the Mediterranean sun spots depends on the southerly winds and high temperatures.

Winds are the crucial factor. Locusts do not sniff out vegetation: they are simply blown. Satellites can give good pictures of locust damage, but early warning and control still depend largely on a man in a Jeep following the swarm and radioing ahead to the next region.

After so many plague-free years, the tip-off system has become a bit lax. And, because the farming techniques in northern Africa have become more sophisticated and intensive, the damage to crops is probably worse than three decades ago.

The need for co-ordination has forced Algeria and Morocco to put aside their differences over the Western Sahara. Libya, too, has joined in regional discussions.

Algeria, Libya, Mauritania, Morocco and Tunisia have established a common fund to fight the locusts. Dr Brader estimates that controlling the insects will probably cost more than $150 million (£80 million). Money has been coming from such diverse sources as Saudi Arabia and the Soviet Union. Ninety aircraft and thousands of personnel are involved in control operations.

The root of the problem is unusually heavy rainfall, which has produced optimum breeding conditions. The larvae, or hoppers, march on foot consuming enough for take-off. Sometimes it is possible to destroy them at this stage, but many escape.

Locusts start to fly when the temperature reaches about 30 degrees centigrade; they cover perhaps 30 miles, settle in the evening and then eat all night. Every scrap. A medium-sized swarm of about a third of a square mile contains some 50 million individual locusts; together they weigh about 100 tons. In a night binge they can eat their own weight of crops.

There is only one effective way of stopping the locusts, and that is to spray them with pesticides in the evening while they are settling down.

The FAO seems confident that the need to eliminate the insects outweighs the environmental side-effects. But in their desperation some countries are throwing any chemical they can at the insects.


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Hardline general gets key role in Roh party reshuffle

From Our Own Correspondent, Seoul

President Roh of South Korea yesterday appointed Mr Park Joon Byong, a controversial former general, secretary-general of his ruling Democratic Justice Party.

As forecast, Mr Roh, who saw his party lose its National Assembly majority in last week's general election, made the parliamentary veteran Mr Yun Gil Jung the party chairman.

Mr Park was a divisional commander when former President Chun Doo Hwan sent troops to crush a civilian rebellion in Kwangju in 1980. At least 193 people were killed. Residents of the south-western city and opposition leaders still regard Mr Park, Mr Chun, Mr Roh — then a serving Major-General — and two other army chiefs as the "five enemies" of Kwangju.

Mr Park takes over from Mr Sim Myeong Bo, who resigned yesterday morning along with 27 other DJP officials to take responsibility for the party's disastrous showing in the election.

Political analysts had expected Mr Roh to choose a moderate leadership for the party to facilitate talks with opposition parties and avert possible chaos in the National Assembly. Mr Park's re-appearance at centre stage, therefore, came as a surprise.

Now that the heat and dust of last week's unruly election has subsided, political leaders have the task of working out a complex compromise in the National Assembly.

The necessity for compromise is unprecedented in Korea's parliamentary history, and would have been unthinkable a year ago under the regime of President Chun. How the various parties adapt to the new circumstances is regarded as a crucial test of the country's nascent democracy.

Already a mood of conciliation and awareness of the electorate's wishes is emerging, to the delight of people accustomed to decades of imperious rule.

"Now, bargaining will have to be the name of the game and all the parties will have to play it with an eye towards the people," a senior adviser to the Democratic Justice Party said this week.

Peace initiatives are expected to bear fruit this week with a meeting between the three opposition leaders aimed at forming a consultative committee. It will be their first such conference for eight years.

Mr Roh, who has not met any of them since he became President in February, has welcomed a suggestion that they all meet before the Assembly convenes later this month. He also plans regular meetings with opposition leaders during what is expected to be a stormy parliamentary session.

Conciliatory gestures include proposals to share chairmanships of standing committees with the Opposition and to consult the Opposition on important issues in the hope of averting conflict. For their part, the opposition leaders have been learning to moderate their oratory. Mr Kim Dae Jung, hitherto the most fiery and now the most powerful voice in the Opposition, says he still wants an investigation into alleged corruption by Mr Chun.

However, he has apparently dropped his demand for the former President to be prosecuted, saying he would be satisfied with the return of any illicit assets to the state. He has also assured foreign correspondents that any issue which might spark a political crisis could be postponed until after the Seoul Olympics.

In the immediate aftermath of the election, analysts noted with concern the presence of three factors which led to President Chun's seizure of power in 1980 — bickering between the opposition leaders, industrial disputes and violent student unrest.

However, they believe that Mr Roh's openness and the electorate's wish for reforms with stability have taken the Government beyond the reach of the military.

Moscow woos Manila in battle of words

From Humphrey Hawksley
Manila

A Soviet delegation visit to Singapore, the Philippines and Indonesia last week, and a hard-hitting speech by the new Soviet Ambassador to Manila, is seen by diplomats here as an attempt by Moscow to increase its influence in the region at a time when the United States is meeting difficulty in negotiations over the future of its Philippines bases.

In his first public speech the new Ambassador, Mr Oleg Sokolov, called for peace and economic co-operation, but made a thinly veiled warning that the Philippines, with its two big American bases, would be targeted for nuclear attack in a superpower confrontation.

The Americans are having a tough time in negotiations over the future of their bases. There is also much soul-searching as to whether the Philippines should get rid of the bases and end the American influence, which is still entrenched despite 42 years of independence.

Both the Soviet Union and the Philippines were able to make mileage. The six-member Soviet delegation strengthened contacts with senior congressional leaders. The Philippines was able to use its time-honoured trick of playing the Russian card when it wanted something from the Americans. "They showed the United States it didn't own the country," said one analyst.

Mr Sokolov's speech reinforces a view that the embassy in Manila has been chosen as a centre for the Soviet publicity machine in South-East Asia. He came to Manila last November, from Washington, where he was second in charge. In Moscow, he is regarded as one of the Soviet Union's most talented diplomats.

He accused the Americans of failing to respond to long-standing proposals to decrease military activity in the region. "The other side has shown no interest thus far in joining us in resolving the issues of security and cooperation in the Pacific," he said.

He supported recent statements by the Australian Foreign Minister, Mr Bill Hayden, that Soviet military activity in the region had decreased. This was in the "interests of peace" and for economic reasons.

On the surface, Mr Sokolov's argument takes much of the force out of the American and Nato stance that the Philippines bases are vital for regional security.

The Philippines Foreign Minister, Mr Raul Manglapus, has described the Philippines and the Soviet Union as being in "a friendly embrace". But this new warmth is being seen as posturing during the bases negotiations, and analysts point out that the Soviet Union has gained little of substance. The US is undoubtedly the military power in the region. It shares economic influence with Japan. Efforts by three Soviet observers to lobby for membership of the Asian Development Bank at the bank's annual meeting in Manila last week were blocked by Japanese and American officials.

The Soviet Union has little practical help to offer. Most of its aid goes to hard core satellite countries such as Ethiopia, Cuba and Vietnam. "The Soviets know they are starting from a very low base," said one diplomat. "They don't mind being used by the Filipinos: it's the only chance they've got."

When a Deputy Foreign Minister, Mr Igor Rogachev, visited a month ago, he looked for agreements on fishing, ship repairs and provincial consulates. He left empty-handed except for a loosely worded agreement for annual talks.

"The Filipinos are going ahead with a great deal of caution," said one diplomat. "The Soviets might have the slickest embassy in South-East Asia but they're taking on the special Philippine-American relationship and that's a very big task."



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Letter from Baghdad

Oil stains a city of flying carpets

One flying carpet remains in Baghdad. It is a large, copper sculpture, controlled by some faceless sorcerer, and it is fastened to the outside wall of the departure lounge at Saddam International Airport.

The oriental wizard is a forlorn figure, the final relic of a bygone era, speeding into the clouds in the apparent hope of catching his long-departed fellows.

For the traveller, Baghdad is a grievous disappointment. By name it is one of the world's most exotic and romantic destinations. The city has stood here for more than 4,000 years on the plain between the Tigris and the Euphrates, where the world's first known civilization was born six millenia ago.

It was the focal point for the great caravan routes carrying gold, spices, tea, silks, carpets, gum, hide and dates between East and West. Through the centuries it has been a prize fought over by sultans, emperors, pashas, shahs, caliphs and their viziers and generals. Under the Caliph Mamun, it became the centre of Islam at a time when the religion represented the highest expression of contemporary civilization and learning.

It was then that it became the city of the *Thousand and One Nights*, a fabled place of great buildings and opulent wealth, populated by jinns (spirits) and magicians, slaves and eunuchs, dervishes and Moors in a world where mysticism lived cheek by jowl with the bawdiness of the Baghdad bazaars.

But today no sense of history or myth lingers in the air in the streets of Old Baghdad. In fact there is really no Old Baghdad. A few mosques from a former period remain and the central bazaar is said to be antique, but in the main Baghdad is a sad concrete sprawl.

Much of the old city was flattened earlier this century to make way for the motor car, but by far the biggest agent of transformation is the oil-wealth of more recent years, which has erected modern buildings and skyscrapers. These have shifted the centre of the city six miles from the older site, creating an ambience more like that of Birmingham than the Baghdad of imagination.

The modern Iraqi is unsentimental about all this. Oil has brought him a far more comfortable home in a solid maisonette of concrete, serviced with clean piped water, electricity and a sewage system which is impressive by Middle Eastern standards. To the resident of contemporary Baghdad, history and its buildings are a reminder of bad old days rather than of far-off glories.

On this Mesopotamian plain, one civilization has succeeded another with small lamentation. After the demise of the Sumerian kingdom came the buildings of the Akkads. Later, the city of Hammurabi was razed by Sennacherib, whose son built a new one. Nebuchadnezzar built on the ruins after the fall of the Assyrian Empire.

Today, on these ancient soils, the secular empire of Saddam is being built with its grandiose airports, its towerblock hotels, and its gigantic omnipresent portraits of the leader in place of the triumphal arches, temples and statues of bygone potentates. President Saddam Hussein is by rhetoric a revolutionary, and his Baathist party is a socialist apparatus, but the imperial echoes are distinct.

At the airport, despite its magic carpet, the rigorous security checks in which luggage is actually dismantled and body searches are embarrassingly thorough, make the El-Al precautions in Israel look positively relaxed. The technical sophistication of the Iranian hijackers they fear place their security measures firmly in the modern age. But the suspicion and aggression which lie behind them are at one with those which motivated the Sumerian, Assyrian, Babylonian, Persian, Arab and Ottoman warriors of the past.

There may be little regard here for the physical remnants of these ancient tides, but clearly the old traditions of behaviour continue unbroken.

Paul Vallely

Samoans charged

Wellington (Reuter) — Six Samoan men were charged with murder and remanded in custody after a young Tongan was hacked to death with machetes in an Auckland shopping mall in front of scores of terrified shoppers.

The six men, aged between 17 and 25, were not asked to plead to a joint charge of murdering David Fuko, aged 21. Police thought the killing followed a series of skirmishes in the Auckland suburb of Otara between natives of the South Pacific island states of Tonga and Samoa.

Pope's choice

Rome (Reuter) — The Pope has named Cardinal Johannes Willebrands from Holland to be the prelate who will temporarily take charge of Vatican affairs when he dies and make arrangements for the election of his successor.

Bus tragedy

Peking (Reuter) — A driver with no licence crashed his overcrowded bus into a cliff in northern China killing 31 students and teachers and injuring 50, the official New China News Agency reported.

Blast inquiry

Karachi — A Cabinet committee investigating the cause of the recent Ojhari arms dump blast, near Islamabad, in which more than 100 people were killed has reportedly rejected the finding of an army committee which said the explosion was accidental.

Catalan bomb

Barcelona (Reuter) — Two policemen were seriously injured and 14 other people slightly hurt in a bomb blast in Barcelona claimed by Catalan separatists.

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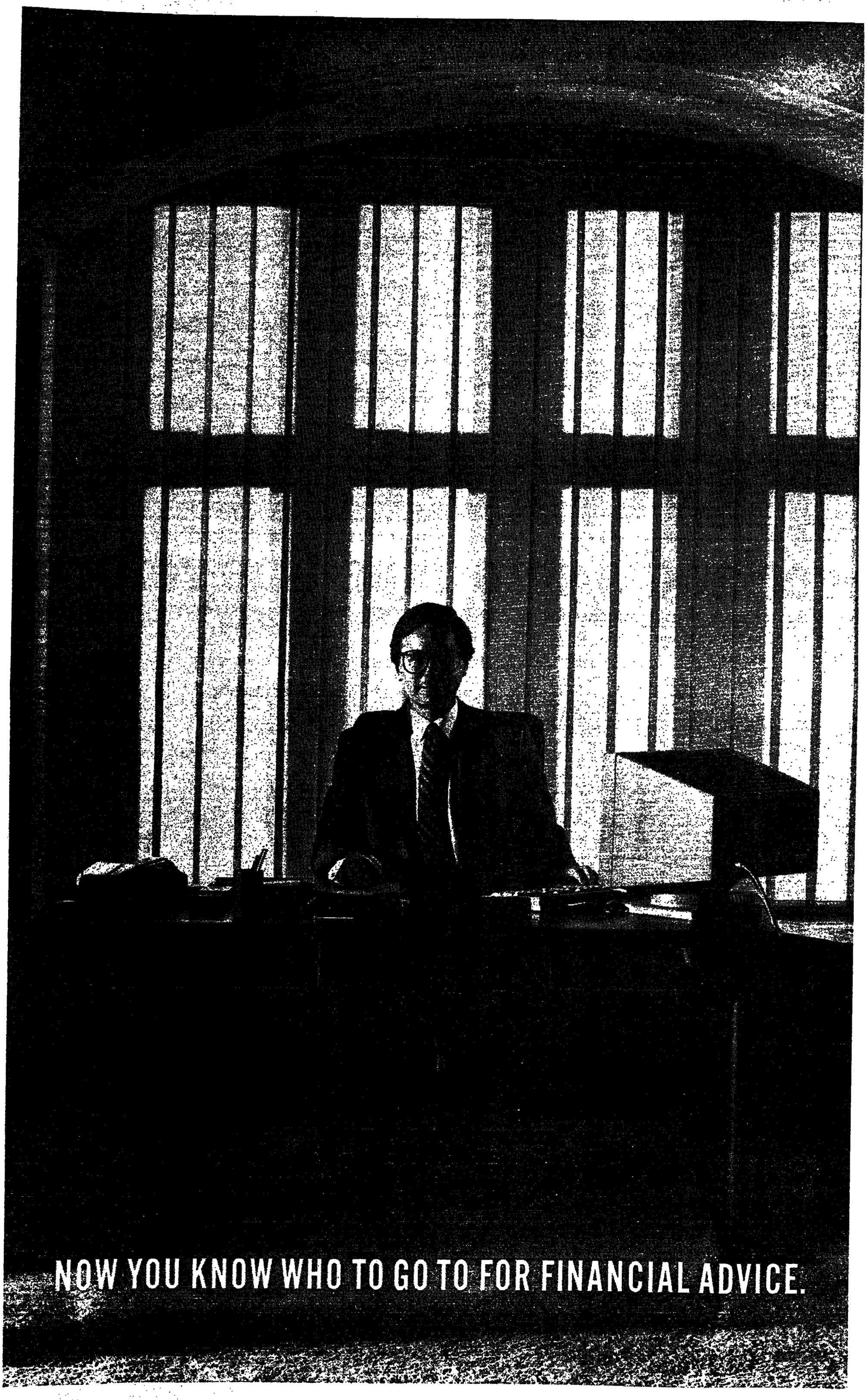
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SPECTRUM

Doyenne of the quiz game

This week *The Times* launches Ingenuity, with prizes worth more than £13,000 to be won. The questions are designed to test your wits and your wisdom; Alan Franks talked to the woman behind them

There was a frightful panic among British television bosses some 30 years ago when the quiz show was burgeoning into an armchair cult; for on the other side of the Atlantic there had been a scandal over rigging in *The $64,000 Question*, and everyone was worried lest something similar happen here.

At once the producers of such essential Fifties viewing as *Take Your Pick* and *Double Your Money* sought respectability, and more or less found it in the form of a youngish woman called Ann Meo, whose profession has no description, as there is no such profession.

Quiz-mistress almost does the trick, except that that would imply that she appears on the screen — a thing she would be reluctant to do these days, what with her "hair like a haystack . . . it always has been. It flops all over my face and makes me look like that old woman in the Toulouse-Lautrec painting."

Besides which, she now lives deep in Normandy in a *déclassé* pile and is much needed by her farmyard menagerie and by the locals. "They think I know the answer to everything. If someone has a problem, they just get told: 'Go and ask Madame Meo.' I often *do* know."

But to go back to the beginning. She was recruited to the quiz biz from her job as sound archive editor with the BBC, and has more or less stayed with the game ever since, right up to *Blockbusters* and *Family Fortunes* and *Treasure Hunt*. She is a professional question settress, and has no idea what qualifications she has required or how she has attained them. Even when she attempts to explain, she tends to sabotage the endeavour with great whooping gales of laughter. But the only question on which she emphatically, unapologetically, passes is that of her age.



A career in torment: Ann Meo is a professional quiz-mistress

She is not demented, nor technically dotty; just different. She is also confoundingly intelligent, with a seemingly inexhaustible breadth of allusion. The most important thing about her for our present purposes is that she has set all the questions in *The Times's* game of Ingenuity, and is taking the challenge with a seriousness befitting such a veteran.

"I have years of experience. There's no denying that, is there? I suppose the main difference between me and the others is that they seem to find it hard to learn what other people might or might not know. I'm also not going to fall into the trap of phrasing a question ambiguously, or allowing a distraction to creep in.

"Let's say there's a question in which the word 'Russia' is used instead of 'USSR'. Someone with a particular knowledge of the Soviet Union is going to read a particular significance into that, even though it may just be a matter of the question-setter being sloppy. I've seen so many instances of it."

She finds France a bit of a desert for her trade, citing "a really frightful thing" on television called *Chiffres et Lettres*, which is an anagram game of numbing banality. "You see, the thing about the French is that the intelligent ones are usually such snobs that they wouldn't waste their time with stuff like that. The British are quite different, and believe that puzzles and quizzes are a perfectly acceptable form of pursuit."

Be assured that when she sat down to address herself to Ingenuity she spent long hours seeing to it that there were as many categories of question, covering as many spheres of knowledge, as possible; and that a degree of that commodity contained in the title would certainly be called for.

So what sort of contestant is likely to win? Another windy bout of mirth. "Someone with a good brain, enough time, and the desire to be amused. The main thing is that they will be able to see exactly what the question is asking for, and then, if they apply themselves, to establish the route by which they might find the answer. But you want me to be more specific? All right, well then I'd say the winner could be, let me think . . . a retired British ambassador to Istanbul. Is there one? Pass."

I·N·G·E·N·U·I·T·Y Round One

1. Bunbury's racehorse who went to America and founded a dynasty that included Lexington.
2. What is the desirable end-product of ilmenite and rutile concentrates?
3. Who made 81 orbits in a Vostok spaceship?
4. Early man associated with Monte Circeo, Amud, Shanidar, Spy and Le Moustier.
5. Plant-group whose sudden appearance was an 'abominable mystery' to Darwin.
6. Russian foreign minister who gave his name to a famous chestnut pudding.
7. Believing something you don't understand, according to Stevie Wonder.
8. Author whose work was being lampooned in a verse in which Charlotte " like a well-conducted person, went on cutting bread and butter".
9. Modern cathedral with a Sutherland tapestry.
10. Madrid's most famous public picture collection.

● **Cut out these coupons and keep them until the end of the competition**

I·N·G·E·N·U·I·T·Y Round Two

1. Very English composer who wrote: "This is the best of me" over his Dream-work.
2. Prize awarded to Seifert, Elytis and Marquez.
3. What quadrupeds are, or were: Sarah's Bunny, Laurie's Panther and Pagan Swallow?
4. Colour of an aniline dye discovered by Sir W.H. Perkin and named after a battle near Milan.
5. Insect that connects the Ant Lion and the buzzbomb.
6. Country whose Prime Minister was called Diefenbaker.
7. Rotund MFH who employed Benjamin, Betsey and James Pigg.
8. First name of the man who was succeeded by Ramiz Alia.
9. Lack of what, marks out Frank from Billy and Dusty in ZZ Top.
10. Planet often said to be red.

● **Ingenuity is a general knowledge competition to be played over 18 days with 10 questions a day. The authors of the first six correct entries to be opened at the end of the competition — when the closing dates and the address will be given — will each receive a set of the 1988 *Encyclopaedia Britannica*, in a blue Constitution binding, worth £2,280.**

● **We are repeating yesterday's opening round along with today's for readers who may have missed it. The answer to each question is a single word or name — but beware! Unlike our teaser questions last Friday, the number of letters in the answers do NOT correspond with the number of boxes — except for the longest of them in each round.**

● **The questions vary in difficulty. To some you may know the answers but to most you will have to ferret them out.**

Scotland's thin blue line reforms

Scots Tories stared into the abyss at the general election: Nicholas Wood looks at the revamped political machine that is carrying their hopes in Thursday's local elections

The verdict on English ministers could not have been more damning: "One hesitates to suggest they should spend more time in Scotland or contemplating Scottish matters, as this could be counter-productive." That assessment came from a confidential report drawn up by senior Scottish Conservatives last autumn, after the party's disastrous general election performance. Even Mrs Thatcher did not escape unscathed: "It seems that the more she strives to be interested in Scotland, the more she is seen as condescending and patronizing."

The report underlined a growing mood among Scottish Tories in favour of devolution, and heralded a series of organizational changes. Next week there will be a major debate at the Perth conference of the Scottish Conservative Party, during which supporters of devolution will press for a regional assembly.

The devolutionists are led by Struan Stevenson, a farmer and leader of Kyle and Carrick council in Dumfries and Galloway, one of only four remaining Tory-controlled councils in Scotland. He maintains that a Conservative revival will come only when the party falls into line with its rivals and supports an assembly.

"We have had a succession of visiting lecturers from the south, like the Chancellor of the Exchequer, telling us that we have a dependency culture, that we live on government handouts and that we should learn to stand on our own two feet. What we want is the ability to stand on our own two feet and have more say in the running of our own affairs."

Not surprisingly, given the scale of their defeat, Scottish Conservatives have been far from idle over the past few months. The organizational changes that have been made will be tested for the first time on Thursday, when 614 Tory candidates will be fighting for district council seats.

Lord Goold, the long-serving Thatcherite party chairman and businessman, remains at the head of the party machine, but a heavyweight team has been drafted in to sharpen the Tory challenge. John Mackay, the former Scottish Office minister and a casualty of last June, is the new chief executive; Alec Pagett, former chief press officer at the Scottish Office becomes the director of communications; and Peter Smith, previously the Yorkshire area agent, becomes director of campaigning. Bob Balfour and Sir Ian Campbell, two old hands, have been given responsibility for organization and finance respectively. After no more than six months, this team, backed by additional office staff and extra cash from, among other places, a group of senior Scottish businessmen, faces its first real test.

Mackay, together with his colleagues, is anxious to lower expectations, insisting that they face a long hard slog in turning round the party's fortunes and that the next general election will be the real moment of truth.

Nevertheless, both he and Pagett are sufficiently politically realistic to recognize that this week's results will attract an unusual degree of interest. "You should not look for a miraculous turnaround because that's unrealistic," he said.

"We are not just looking at a deterioration in the Conservative position in 1987. We are looking at quite a few years of decline. We have a long hard struggle over many years to restore our position, and in these elections we will be looking for an indication that we have stopped the rot. I will be delighted if we make modest gains."

Pagett puts it more bluntly: "I only hope we don't suffer a major setback this week. That would be a terrible blow to morale when there is growing evidence of a revival."

A record number of candidates has been assembled and party headquarters in Chester Street is working overtime to restore morale, brief candidates fully on the issues, and give the constituencies the publicity material they have lacked in the past.

Cited widely as evidence of the new dynamism is a recent conference of council candidates held in Perth. As Jerry Dunn, the agent for central Edinburgh says, more than 300 people turned up from all parts of the country and eventually had to be persuaded to go home. Before, the attendance would have been no more than 50 and the whole affair would have been over in a couple of hours.

Struan Stevenson is another who testifies to the impact of new high command. "The changes were long overdue and we now have a very professional and dynamic team in Central Office. There is an instant response to any problem, and we have a team who are adept at dealing with the media in Scotland."

Mention of the Scottish Press, which like its readership takes a distinctly jaundiced view of government policy, leads straight back to Chester Street. There, Alec Pagett, who was brought in at the personal request of Malcolm Rifkind, the Secretary of State for Scotland, is revitalizing the party's attempts to get across its message. A weekly council of war is held with Rifkind to shape the continuing propaganda campaign.

In the past, Press releases to Scottish newspapers and broadcasters were few and resembled telex messages. Now, emblazoned with the Tory colours and logo, they are being pumped out at a high rate: about 130 since the beginning of the year. Pagett has also been touring the constituencies encouraging them to drop their traditional reticence in dealing with the media.

"I tell them to get off their butts and point out to them that the media owe them no favours. A complaint you constantly hear is that it's all the media's fault. It's not. You get the media you deserve."

If this sounds abrasive — and it is — it is typical of the robust new line being adopted in the high command. It is symbolized by Mackay, a shrewd populist whose career has been resurrected after his rejection by the electors of Argyll and Bute. His job is to raise the party's political profile.

"I was asked to do a much more political job than has ever been done here before. We have decided to take on the political Establishment of the left in Scotland much more aggressively, which is in the unions, the Labour Party, the local authorities and even parts of the Church. We were attempting to be Mr Nice Guy. Now we are fighting our corner."

TOM KIDD



New Tory: Stevenson leads the party campaign for devolution

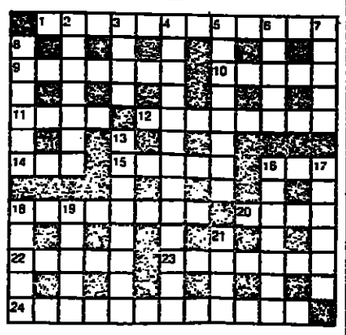
POLL POSITION: HOW SCOTLAND VOTED IN GENERAL ELECTIONS

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1955	47	34	50	36	2	1	-	-	1	0	1	0
1959	47	38	47	31	4	1	-	-	1	0	1	1
1964	49	43	41	24	8	4	-	-	2	0	1	0
1966	50	46	38	20	7	5	-	-	5	0	1	0
1970	45	44	38	23	6	3	-	-	11	1	1	0
1974 (Feb)	37	40	33	21	8	3	-	-	22	7	1	0
1974 (Oct)	36	41	25	16	8	3	-	-	30	11	0	0
1979	42	44	31	22	9	3	-	-	17	2	1	0
1983	35	41	28	21	-	-	25	8	12	2	0	0
1987	42	50	24	10	-	-	19	9	14	3	0	0

PERCENTAGE OF VOTE IN LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS

	Lab	Con	Lib/SDP	SNP	Comm	Ind	Others
1974 (region)	39	29	5	13	1	12	2
1977 (district)	32	27	4	24	1	10	3
1978 (r)	40	30	2	21	1	5	1
1980 (d)	45	24	6	16	1	7	2
1982 (r)	38	25	18	13	0	5	0
1984 (d)	46	21	13	12	0	7	1
1986 (r)	44	17	15	18	0	5	1

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Nuclear-fired nuances

NEW WORDS FOR OLD

Philip Howard



Contrary to the gloom of language reactionaries and dyslexicographers, much of the new jargon that our scientists coin is vivid and charming. Physicists seem particularly inventive. "Charm" itself is a happy neologism to describe the property of some elementary particles proposed to account for their unexpectedly long lifetimes compared with other particles of matter. I like it. Quark has literary origins, being associated with "Three quarks for Muster Mark!" in *Finnegans Wake*. Murray Gell-Mann, who introduced the idea of "strangeness" and thence quarks, and named them, explained how he hit upon the word in a private letter to the editor of the *Supplement* of the *OED*: "I employed the sound 'quork' for several weeks in 1963 before noticing 'quark' in *Finnegans Wake*, which I had perused from time to time since it appeared in 1939. The allusion to three quarks seemed perfect. I needed an excuse for retaining the pronunciation quork despite the occurrence of 'Mark', 'bark', 'mark', and so forth in *Finnegans Wake*. I found that excuse by supposing that one ingredient of the line 'Three quarks for Muster Mark' was a cry of 'Three quarts for Mister . . .' heard in H.C. Earwicker's pub." It is agreeable and apt that the elusive little things should have so elegant and unforgettable a name.

You need imagination, lateral thinking, and an ability not to take your speciality too seriously to coin good jargon. Here is another American physicist who is in the process of using these qualities as name-giver. He has discovered that the motion in certain superfluids is damped by tiny whirlpools, and he wants to name these whirlpools "boojums". You remember:

But oh, beamish nephew, beware of the day,
If your Snark be a Boojum! For then
You will softly and suddenly vanish away,
And never be met with again!

Paradoxically, it is the specialists in non-physical disciplines, chaps who work with words rather than things, who are less good at devising jargon. It would be difficult to argue that the jargons of modern philosophy, sociology, or linguistics are elegant or perspicuous. Much of the jargon of Lit. Crit. is woolly and ugly. I groaned the other day at a classic piece of sociologese from two eminent professors: "... availability information ... dual gender perspective ... governmental passivity ... employer biased manpower services ... computer use ineffectivity ... massive personnel burn out ... public sector effectivity ... work environmental and effectivity consequences ... priorated ... the parameters, structure and function of society's organizations."

But let us not bounce into the philistine reaction that all sociology is useless because some sociologese is vacuous. In spite of his jargon, even Talcott Parsons has added to the sum of human knowledge in his efforts to create a general theory of social action that will encompass, as a logical system, all dimensions of human behaviour from individual motivations to macrosocial processes. It is catching, you see. And do not forget that Max Weber's sociologese has given us two of the most popular new words of our century, status and charisma (originally from religious jargon).

THE ARTS

TELEVISION

Twenty years on

The titles of some of the documentaries in Channel 4's *68-88* series have promised more excitement than has been delivered. On Sunday, *Blast From The Past* turned out to be more of a drone from the present, as the arty documentary montage was also cut with a biasedly sombre contemporary drama about a reunion between two Sixties lovers, which emphasized the sexist nature of those "revolutionary" days.

Lines such as "your wooden heads clicked all through our love-making," and "I've been reconstructed . . . Perestroika . . . I wear boxer shorts." were delivered miraculously without a hint of humour. Even the music, apart from the obligatory rock accompaniment to a shot of American bombing in Vietnam, was mostly chillingly contemporary.

Last night the first part of *A Grin without a Cat*, the three hour documentary about 1968 by the distinguished French film maker, Chris Marker, also was short of Sixties music and was presented with scarcely a smile, let alone a grin, but it was a much more subtly wrought film and offered a better understanding of the period, because it did not strain to introduce obviously political contrasts with the present.

It was political in its choice of clips and cutting but the commentary was brief and poignant and the characters in the tragi-comedy, whether Castro or an American airforce bomber pilot delighting in his deadly craft ("that's great fun, I really liked to do that"), were allowed long enough speeches to be judged according to the audience's and not the film maker's terms. The complexities of the historical development were not foreshortened beyond recognition for glib political or aesthetic effect.

Andrew Hislop

John Russell Taylor on a 19th century surprise, the graphic designer of the Eighties, Italian rarities and other current London exhibitions

Great Victorian discovery

It is good that sometimes, amid the multitude of subjects our national museums and galleries do cover, that they sometimes pay tribute to their own. Richard Redgrave, subject of a major retrospective show at the Victoria and Albert until May 22, is certainly one of the V & A's own if anyone is.

Sir Henry Cole's right-hand man, tireless advocate of art and design education in mid-Victorian England, he was central to the setting-up of what was to become the Victoria and Albert, and especially to the organization of those parts of its activities which concerned painting. A little pious interest is clearly in order.

What few could have foreseen, however, is the extraordinary interest attaching to Redgrave's own works, both as a painter and as a designer who practised what he preached. If any image of Redgrave's painting comes to mind, it is almost certainly "The Governess", a sad picture of the pensive governess sitting by while her pampered young charges primp and play. Fair enough: he was, of his generation (he was born in 1804), one of those most seriously and unpatronizingly interested in the lot of the poor and the put-upon, and the concern in his earlier paintings is admirably unsentimental.

But he moved on from this kind of subject-matter and, while in the social orbit of the Pre-Raphaelites, he began to paint the minutely detailed landscapes, sometimes with figures prominent, sometimes not, on which his reputation as a painter seems likely ultimately to rest.

"The Emigrant's Last Sight of Home" combines happily the sort of social theme prominent in his early work with the microscopic observation of his later. And some of the very latest pictures (painted in time snatched from his many other commitments), such as "Calling the Sheep to Fold" of 1876, are quite haunting.

The show also includes many examples of his design, which range from glass and ceramics to the Funeral Car of the Duke of Wellington and an experimental postbox, and is accompanied by a model book/catalogue edited by the show's organizers, Susan P. Casteras and Ronald Parkinson, which valuably fills a gap in our studies of the great Victorians.

Brody, the other main current show at the V & A (until May 29), could hardly be more different. It is dedicated to the graphic language of Neville Brody, and if you think you do not know what that looks like, you are wrong. At least, if you live anywhere in Greater London. Neville Brody designed *The Face* magazine, one of the biggest influences on magazine design in the last decade, has been responsible for most of the *City Limits* covers that anyone remembers, and has created endless covers for "key" record albums of the Eighties, paperback books and the like.

The Armada, the National Maritime Museum's summer blockbuster (until September 4), is more obviously historical than artistic. But this kind of mixed show, illustrating history with art, or art with history, seems to be becoming increasingly popular.

It certainly contains, as well as quite a lot of documents, a sufficient number of Renaissance portraits, Hilliard miniatures and the like to interest the most rigorous aesthete. And, as one so often discovers, many of the objects made with purely practical ends in view, such as maps and tables, parts of ships and instruments to steer them by, are quite stunningly beautiful.

With Paul Nash's First World War drawings and paintings, produced when he was an Official War Artist on the Western Front, undoubtedly "the poetry is in the pity". The fine show at the Imperial War Museum (until September 4) gathers together six of his major paintings, along with sketches and related drawings, and some of the graphic works drawing on the same experiences.

These pictures convey very forcibly the basic truth that, while in the Second World War the results of random air-raids and bombardments seemed to come straight out of the Surrealist imagination, the mud-scapes of the First World War, the blasted trees of no-man's-land, seem to have been conjured up with equal immediacy from the minds of the Vorticists and other just-prewar modernists. Certainly the war experience was crucial for Nash as an artist, helping to convert him from a facile decorator to an artist with something urgent and personal to say.

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Gentler tactics were adopted by the Swiss cellist, Thomas Demenga, in his master-class with an RNCM student, Rebecca Firth. As with so many young players, she was just too musical and played just too safe. "Beethoven didn't warn us what was going to happen, and you mustn't either!"

Physicality was no problem with 14 year old Jamie Walton from Wells Cathedral School. Ralph Kirshbaum had the rarer task of countering wonderfully free, relaxed and instinctive playing with details of control and coordination. Young Walton is certainly a name to watch.

Although Fournier himself insisted that the performer alone was responsible for the sound, a bad workman, in this case, can sometimes justifiably blame his tools. A brains-trust with instrument makers and dealers regaled us with tales of bending bridges and over-short fingerboards and humidity horror stories.

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THE ARTS

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Twenty years on

The titles of some of the documentaries in Channel 4's *68-88* series have promised more excitement than has been delivered. On Sunday, *Blast From The Past* turned out to be more of a drone from the present, as the arty documentary montage was also cut with a biasedly sombre contemporary drama about a reunion between two Sixties lovers, which emphasized the sexist nature of those "revolutionary" days.

Lines such as "your wooden beads clicked all through our love-making," and "I've been reconstructed . . . Perestroika . . . I wear boxer shorts," were delivered miraculously without a hint of humour. Even the music, apart from the obligatory rock accompaniment to a shot of American bombing in Vietnam, was mostly chillingly contemporary.

Last night the first part of *A Grin without a Cat*, the three hour documentary about 1968 by the distinguished French film maker, Chris Marker, also was short of Sixties music and was presented with scarcely a smile, let alone a grin, but it was a much more subtly wrought film and offered a better understanding of the period, because it did not strain to introduce obviously political contrasts with the present.

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Sir Henry Cole's right-hand man, tireless advocate of art and design education in mid-Victorian England, he was central to the setting-up of what was to become the Victoria and Albert, and especially to the organization of those parts of its activities which concerned painting. A little pious interest is clearly in order.

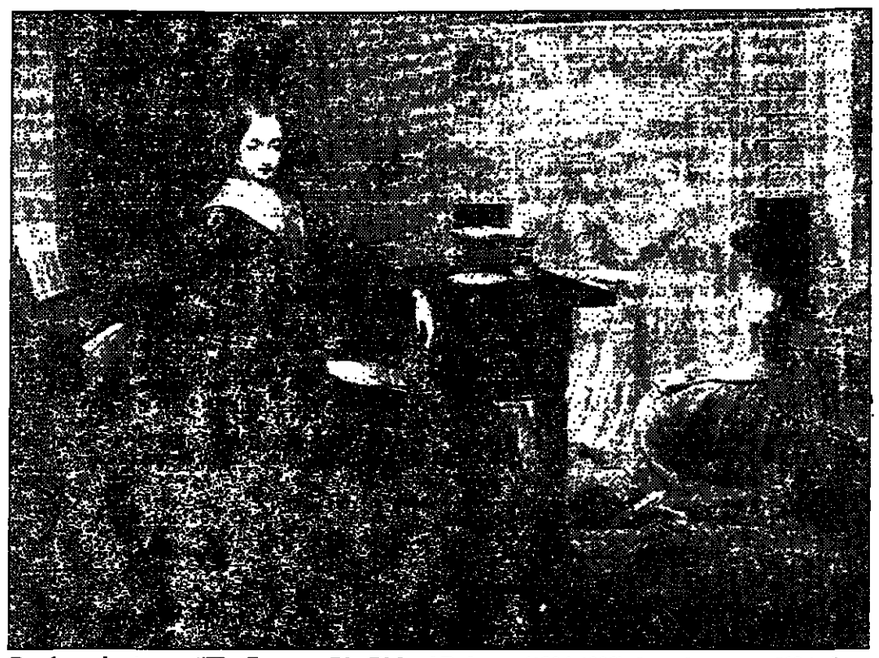
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The show also includes many examples of his design, which range from glass and ceramics to the Funeral Car of the Duke of Wellington and an experimental postbox, and is accompanied by a model book/catalogue edited by the show's organizers, Susan P. Casteras and Ronald Parkinson, which valuably fills a gap in our studies of the great Victorians.

Brody, the other main current show at the V & A (until May 29), could hardly be more different. It is dedicated to the graphic language of Neville Brody, and if you think you do not know what that looks like, you are wrong. At least, if you live anywhere in Greater London. Neville Brody designed *The Face* magazine, one of the biggest influences on magazine design in the last decade, has been responsible for most of the *City Limits* covers that anyone remembers, and has created endless covers for "key" record albums of the Eighties, paperback books and the like.



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The great French cellist is already celebrated in an award set up two years ago and administered by the Philharmonia's long-sighted Martin Musical Scholarship Fund. Auditions took place last week and the prize-winning recital was the festival's central focus. It featured the quietly intense playing of this year's winner, Gregor Horsch.

Horsch, an RNCM student from Baden-Württemberg, will now have the money to finance his London début; and I look forward to it. He is a quick-witted, at times deliberately austere player: his Bach showed a welcome refusal to use vibrato as an expressive shortcut. Rather, the bowing itself was meticulously tailored to the imaginative life of each phrase just as, later, it was to cover a perfectly sustained half-voice in Beethoven and sing its way through Schumann.

Above all, Horsch at 26 already shows signs of mastering the art of *not* playing a piece of music as it is written. That was something on which Pablo Casals absolutely insisted. We witnessed the fact in an afternoon of archive film and tapes. "You must play not what he wrote, but what he means!", he muttered to a master-class pupil, brandishing his bow over her head like a huge horsewhip.

Gentler tactics were adopted by the Swiss cellist, Thomas Demenga, in his master-class with an RNCM student, Rebecca Firth. As with so many young players, she was just too musical and played just too safe. "Beethoven didn't warn us what was going to happen, and you mustn't either!"

Physicality was no problem with 14 year old Jamie Walton from Wells Cathedral School. Ralph Kirshbaum had the rarer task of countering wonderfully free, relaxed and instinctive playing with details of control and coordination. Young Walton is certainly a name to watch.

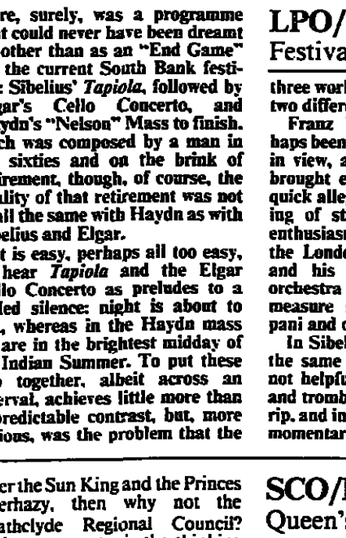
Although Fournier himself insisted that the performer alone was responsible for the sound, a bad workman, in this case, can sometimes justifiably blame his tools. A brains-trust with instrument makers and dealers regaled us with tales of bending bridges and over-short fingerboards and humidity horror stories.

Kirshbaum had most enterprisingly furnished us all with a complex family tree of cellists, which showed Fournier's pedagogic parentage through Paul Bazelaire right back to the 18th century and Jean-Louis Duport. The final concert was raised to appropriate heights by a superbly risk-taking performance of Beethoven's Opus 102 C major Sonata by Robert Cohen. It was a fitting tribute to a cellist who, said Colette, "sang more perfectly than those who sing".

Hilary Finch



Quietly intense: Gregor Horsch



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EUROPE AGAINST TERRORISM

Three RAF servicemen resident in West Germany are murdered in the Netherlands. They were killed as a result of a terrorist campaign in a third country, Britain. The morally empty "justification" for their deaths apparently concerns an incident in a fourth location, Gibraltar. There could be no more graphic illustration of the vital necessity for all European countries to bind and harmonize their anti-terrorist policies more closely.

Experts in counter-terrorism have been calling for serious international coordination on these matters for years, knowing as they did so that few politicians or statesmen were paying serious attention to the problem and that, even if they were, progress would be slow. The distance yet to be travelled towards effective trans-European security against mobile terrorists would be important enough for its own sake. But it is especially critical in view of the dismantling of customs regulations and immigration procedures which will be part of the EEC single market measures due to be completed by the end of 1992.

The countries with which Britain has established the most successful security co-operation are those which have faced terrorists inside their own borders: Germany, France and Spain. The governments and populations of smaller countries, such as the Netherlands, might be tempted to believe that the IRA is not their problem. Unfortunately, it is everyone's problem.

Nearly two decades ago, when the IRA re-awakened in Northern Ireland, many people outside Britain believed that terrorism would subside if only the British Government would enact political reform. The events of those 20 years have undermined that view and helped to educate the world outside in some of the complications and contradictions of Irish history.

It should now be clear that the original equation can be stood on its head. Political reforms, derided as insufficient by extremists but nevertheless real, have been made. But acts of terrorism perpetrated by a few hundred extremists still cast a long shadow over 1,500,000 people who strive to be governed by the rule of law. If terrorism is not broken, the chances of political movement in any direction — whether by government or anyone else — are slim.

Against this background, the British Government needs to press its case for closer coordination across borders. This is less a matter of grand exhortation at ministerial gatherings in Brussels (although this may be necessary to create a better political climate) and more a matter of establishing working partnerships between police forces. The precise nature of border monitoring — or the lack of it — after 1992 remains to be settled. But sophisticated terrorists will be able to move much more freely — needles in a haystack of 300 million people.

To compensate for this, policemen must be able to increase their own freedom of manoeuvre. The surveillance operation which preceded the Gibraltar shootings is an example of what can be achieved. Successful cooperation requires, above all, a willingness to share intelligence and to exchange important items affecting another country quickly.

Police forces need to plan and train for this new foreign dimension. National police forces need to know enough about each other to establish the trust which is essential to exchanging intelligence. Technical skills can also be exchanged to advantage. The greatest prize of all — and the most difficult to achieve — is for one police force to be able to conduct surveillance on the territory of another. These changes will not happen thoroughly enough or fast enough unless driven by determined political will from the top.

It is also time that public figures outside Britain who should know better stopped promoting the myth that wanted IRA men are martyrs who deserve asylum from the cruel reach of the British state. At least one Dutch judge has offered a foolishly generous interpretation of a "political offence" in favour of an IRA fugitive in an extradition case brought by the British Government. No Dutch citizen should be deceived by the fallacious equivalence, which will be claimed by someone sooner or later, between the Gibraltar shootings and the events of the past weekend.

It is a condition of all improved security cooperation that the British security forces should be seen to act within the law. The Attorney General's leniency towards the RUC men who obstructed the Stalker investigation will be quoted against Britain for years to come. The evidence given at the inquest in Gibraltar will have an important bearing on attitudes abroad.

Some will argue against enhancing international cooperation on the grounds that the result will be endless bureaucratic entanglements. They would prefer terrorists to be pursued with lethal force wherever they are. This would make sense only if the same policy were followed in Northern Ireland itself. It should not be. This would contradict every value which the Government seeks to uphold there. It would also ensure that the seeds of inter-state cooperation already planted would wither, leaving the countries of Europe no safer than they are today.

THE SUCCESSFUL MR BUSH

Vice-President George Bush has achieved a remarkable feat. But there is little satisfaction to be gained by a candidate from doing anything remarkable unless plenty of people remark upon it. In Mr Bush's case, hardly anyone, least of all on this side of the Atlantic, has even noticed it.

This seems to be a recurring theme in Mr Bush's life. He became the youngest pilot in the US Navy in the Second World War, was shot down into the sea, and won the Distinguished Flying Cross. Over 40 years later, he constantly reads that he is a "wimp". Then (his recent remarkable feat) he secured a contested presidential nomination earlier in the election year than any candidate in either of the two main parties this century who was not already President. His win in the Pennsylvania primary last week gave him the number of delegates needed to win the nomination at the Republican convention.

It did so nearly four months before the convention in August. And his main opponent for the nomination was not some token challenger, such as sometimes enters the race against an incumbent President, but the senatorial leader of his party whom he had seen off several primaries before Pennsylvania. Whereupon, Mr Bush carries on reading that he is "a bore", and finally gives the impression — by defensively asking reporters a few days ago what was wrong with being a bore — that he believes it himself.

Possibly he is a bore. If so, events are more responsible for it than he is, and it is no discredit to anyone, least of all himself. The American presidency has more often than not been held by dull men, or by men who would have been thought dull were it not for the interesting events in which they were caught up. That is perhaps the explanation of the "bore factor" which is affecting, not just Mr Bush, but his most likely Democratic opponent, Governor Michael Dukakis.

This year's campaign is taking place in times of peace and prosperity for America unmatched in most presidential election years this century. It is difficult for candidates to sound exciting in such times, and it would be undesirable and implausible even if they could. Kennedy was able to do so in similar conditions in 1960, but he was an exception — not in his plausibility but in his glamour. And even that was not enough to give him victory other than narrowly.

Mr Bush, as the candidate of the party which presides over the peace and prosperity, can only promise more of the same. True, Mr Dukakis could sound more thrilling by warning of a disaster from which only he could save the republic. But, to help a candidate, a looming disaster must always look likely.

Perhaps a disaster is indeed on its way. There are many ill-wishers of America who place their hopes in the impending recession. Mr Dukakis, however, is not an ill-wisher of America, but someone whose entire appeal is that of the high-minded public servant. Mr Dukakis, like most Americans, expects some sort of a recession, if only as a corrective to the unprecedently-long expansion of President Reagan's first six years.

Today's economic signals are better than could have been expected, or were generally forecast, immediately after the October stock market crash. If Mr Dukakis now prophesied doom, events might vindicate him after the election. He will not be believed during it. So, unlike the Revd Jesse Jackson, with his ravings about "economic violence", Mr Dukakis proceeds on the assumption that he is campaigning in a very prosperous country.

In this, if in nothing else, he resembles another Democrat, Kennedy, campaigning against another Vice-President, Nixon, in another successful America, Eisenhower's. Kennedy wisely confined himself in economic affairs to such pronouncements as: "This country's great, but it's got to be greater". Both strategies were compliments to the Republican Administrations which the two Democrats sought to succeed.

True, a disaster could arise from the final two years of the Reagan presidency. It would be caused by the weakening — itself caused by the INF treaty — of the American position in Western Europe, and therefore of America's security in the world in years to come. But Mr Dukakis is in favour of the INF treaty.

On present form, if Mr Dukakis wins in November it will be because he sounds just as unexciting as Mr Bush, not because he eventually manages to make himself sound less so. It will be, for Mr Bush, the final injustice.

Whoever wins, an envious world will eventually make sure that America becomes — for a while at least — less peaceful, and perhaps less prosperous. That is the fate of great countries which are also democracies in a world in which most countries are neither great not democratic. Either candidate will soon become more exciting than he is at present because — sadly — the events will become so. America should be grateful for these two "bores" while she still can.

Ideas on Europe

From Mr R. C. R. Blackledge

Sir, It is incorrect to state, as your correspondent of April 25 does, that the Department of Education and Science "attaches no importance to Europe". The department supports European awareness programmes through the Central Bureau, the UK Centre for European Education and other groups.

Elsewhere, much is already being achieved in schools and colleges to change the attitude of young people through developing a European dimension in education. Credit should be given to those teachers and others who, through their commitment, have undertaken this increased task and have kept the work going in times when public demand was not high. With the approach of 1992 that demand is increasing.

European studies as a course has suffered in the past by being offered to a small section of the school population and not to the whole. We believe that a European dimension in education for all is best achieved through all subjects in the curriculum and not by a discrete course, although such a course could still be helpful and have a place. (We are in contact with the appropriate bodies to stress this.)

We hope that in the new climate more will be done both by DES and DTI to ensure that our young people are not deprived of access to information on, and experience in, European affairs.

Yours faithfully,
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April 26.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Christian teaching in schools

From the Bishop of St Albans and others

Sir, We write at the outset of the committee stage of the Education Reform Bill in the House of Lords, first to congratulate the Bishop of London and the Secretary of State for Education on the strengthened provisions for religious education which they have agreed should now be incorporated in the Bill; but secondly, to express our support for a further amendment which will be under consideration this week.

We refer to Baroness Cox's amendment, which would have the effect of specifying that "predominantly Christian" teaching is what is to be understood where the Bill refers to "religious instruction." We believe that this is a desirable and, indeed, a necessary amendment in the circumstances of today.

There is a general recognition that the 1944 Education Act had no other religion in mind than the Christian religion when it made its historic statutory provision for compulsory religious instruction in maintained schools. But the times and circumstances of nearly half a century ago scarcely made specific definition necessary, and none was then made.

We recognise that today there is much more religious and cultural diversity in Britain than there was in 1944. And nothing could be further from our intention than that the Christian religion should be compulsorily taught in schools, against parents' wishes, where most or all of the children come from a non-Christian cultural or religious background.

But leaving such schools aside, and they are a minority in Britain as a whole (for which special arrangements can be made), we are convinced that most people — certainly most parents — have a strong hope and expectation that school religious instruction should be based upon, and principally feature, Christian teaching. Other religions can and should be taught; but educationally this is best done on the basis of a firm grounding in our historic "home" religion.

There is some debate as to whether the necessary provision for a predominantly Christian emphasis should be secured by nod and wink, as it were, through the local agreed syllabus machinery; or whether statutory guidelines should be laid down. We come down firmly in favour of the latter.

To provide by statute that religious instruction should be "predominantly Christian" can only strengthen, not undermine, the local agreed syllabus machinery; which is in any case weak in a number of areas. And secularizing pressures will grow over the next 50 years. But the chance to reform the law in a Christian direction will not recur for many years.

Yours faithfully,
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†MICHAEL CESTR:,
†GEORGE BATH & WELLS,
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St Albans, Hertfordshire.
April 30.

Defence of GCSE

From the Minister of State, Department of Education and Science

Sir, Your Political Correspondent, Nicholas Wood (April 26), talks of ministers mounting a "propaganda offensive" to counter a wave of criticism over the new GCSE examination.

A major initiative like the introduction of a new 16-plus examination must be explained to all those concerned. It is important that the examination groups and the DES should check the progress of the examination to make sure that the pupils, parents and employers are kept up to date on developments. Of course there are problems. The recent HM Inspectors' report brought out some of the difficulties, but its general message was that the new exam has got off to a satisfactory start.

We are not in the business of manufacturing good stories about GCSE. It is the newspapers which point up the negative. In the case of GCSE this has meant overlooking very positive things, like the commitment of teachers, the enthusiasm of pupils and the support of employers. That is the balanced story.

Yours faithfully,
ANGELA RUMBOLD,
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Elizabeth House,
York Road, SE1.
April 28.

Abolition of Ilea

From the Dean of Westminster and others

Sir, Each of us serves as a governor or trustee of Ilea schools in Westminster. Our experience of these schools, conversations with staff and parents, and our knowledge of the educational needs and resources of this part of London leave us in no doubt that some kind of unitary education authority for Greater London is indispensable.

The present proposal in the Education Reform Bill to abolish Ilea without any proper and appropriate provision for the overall planning and implementation of an educational policy for London as a whole is irresponsible and likely to damage the education of this and future generations of children.

We therefore give our wholehearted support to the Bishop of London's amendment to this Bill, which is intended to allow time for the educational needs and resources of the capital to be adequately evaluated before the only authority at present capable of matching resources to needs is abolished.

Yours truly,
MICHAEL MAYNE (Dean),
SEBASTIAN CHARLES (Canon Treasurer),
ANTHONY HARVEY (Sub-Dean),
The Deanery,
Westminster Abbey, SW1.
April 27.

Words of wisdom

From Mrs Monica Wilson

Sir, Your reader, John Murphy (April 20) is seeking a statement which will remain true during the lifetime of his soon-to-be-born child. I offer him this.

An elderly Russian emigrée who acted as nanny to my two children for a short while in Jerusalem during 1955 claimed this was a centuries-old saying in the land of her birth: "We live and learn and die a fool."

I have always thought these sadly-wise words were both a consolation in times of distress and an excellent antidote to hubris.

Yours faithfully,
MONICA WILSON,
6 Garway Road, W2.
April 20.

From Mr J. R. Murray-Bligh

Sir, In reply to Mr Murphy's question, Benjamin Franklin's remark in his letter of November 13, 1789, to Jean-Baptiste Le Roy that "In this world nothing can be said to be certain, except death and taxes" is probably the most profound, after the saying of my father that "There are only two true pleasures in life, stretching and scratching".

Yours faithfully,
J. R. MURRAY-BLIGH,
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Nr Liverpool,
Merseyside.
April 25.

Brightness falls

From Mr Stephen J. Hall

Sir, It has been an exceedingly dreary 12 months in medico-legal circles.

My legal journals have talked of nothing else but the Financial Services Act and my wife's medical journals have endlessly considered Aids.

Both subjects are relentless in their coming, disastrous in their application and melancholy in their contemplation.

Might there be brighter reading ahead?

Yours faithfully,
STEPHEN J. HALL,
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11 Southdown Avenue,
Lewes,
East Sussex.
April 20.

Stumbling blocks

From Mr Maxwell Hutchinson

Sir, The British Museum is one of the country's major tourist attractions. As befits a world-class museum, queues of eager tourists often stretch the length of Great Russell Street, into Bloomsbury Way and often as far as Bedford Square.

The pavements on which the long-suffering tourist is forced to stand — and walk if he dare — are a national disgrace. The area surrounding the museum, Hawksmoor's famous church of St George's, Bloomsbury, and, for that matter, all of this part of the London Borough of Camden are a minefield of cripplingly dangerous paving and increasing piles of festering rubbish.

As the pound grows stronger, so the dollar becomes weaker and the marketing of British tourism more difficult. If a trip (*sic*) to the British Museum is such a dangerous and unpleasant experience what reports will be carried home to Boston and Detroit?

Yours faithfully,
MAXWELL HUTCHINSON,
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April 25.

War memorials

From Mr R. J. A. Tinker

Sir, A possible national inventory of war memorials should, I suggest, include those erected by many railway companies to commemorate their staff who died in the 1914-18 war. A wide selection of designs exists, ranging from a modest plaque at Mexborough Station by the Great Central Railway to the substantial memorial at Manchester Victoria Station by the Lancashire & Yorkshire Railway and to York's listed North Eastern Railway memorial.

Designed by Sir Edwin Lutyens, the York memorial was recently repaired and extended to commemorate railway staff who died in the 1939-45 war. These handsome memorials collectively record a significant contribution by the companies' staffs to their country's call.

Yours faithfully,
RICHARD TINKER,
Architect, East,
British Railways Board,
York.
April 27.

Drawing a line on job stress

From Dr A. N. B. Stott

Sir, The Chairman of the Health and Safety Commission is reported (April 27) to have stated that stress-related illness costs "billions of pounds" a year. He indeed is more precise and puts this figure at £4 billion a year in the early 1980s.

Dr Cullen's scientific background is impeccable and one must therefore assume that he has reliable and well-validated sources for such a statement and would be prepared to disclose them.

I would imagine that a considerable proportion of such illness may be ischaemic heart disease, although very *few* cardiologists are convinced of any causal link between "stress" and this condition. Presumably psychiatric disorders account for another significant fraction but, as an occupational physician of 30 years' experience, I can say that it is seldom that such illness can be attributed exclusively to the working situation. The latter is generally only part of an ill-defined amalgam of domestic, social and sexual origins.

It is therefore worrying when Dr Cullen emphasises employer responsibility in reducing stress. Are we facing an addition to the list of Prescribed Occupational Diseases? Before the question is dismissed as facetious, may I draw attention to a number of court actions in the USA where employers are being held liable for such illness (Bernard Levin, please note).

A secondary cause for concern is the *imprimatur* a statement from this source gives to the growing number of self-styled experts on "stress" who perceive this still-undefined concept as a soft-option speciality and hasten to board the gravy train as advisers to industry and commerce.

Yours sincerely,
NORMAN STOTT,
17 Whitehills Green,
Goring-on-Thames,
Reading, Berkshire.
April 28.

'Death on the Rock'

From Mr Roger Bolton

Sir, In your otherwise fair and balanced report (April 30) on the controversy surrounding our "Death on the Rock" programme for *This Week*, you made some inaccurate and potentially damaging remarks about my past career which I wish to correct.

You stated that in 1979 I was reprimanded by the BBC, and went on: "He had allegedly let a film crew co-operate with IRA terrorists who tipped them off that they were setting up a roadblock". Not so. I was unaware of this incident, at Carrickmore, until the day after it had occurred, and had not planned any such operation. In 1984 I successfully sued *The Daily Telegraph* for saying that I had arranged the incident with the IRA. I received costs and "substantial damages" in the High Court.

It is true that I was reprimanded by the BBC but for allegedly failing to keep to the internal guidelines which were designed to ensure that the BBC's Controller in Northern Ireland was kept fully informed about programme plans affecting him. I have never accepted that I broke these guidelines and I remained Editor of *Panorama* for a further 18 months.

As it has been implied that I was sympathetic to the IRA may I take this opportunity to say that I regard them as murderous terrorists who, together with other paramilitary groups, have committed appalling atrocities.

However, I do believe it is important to explain to the public what the IRA and its political wing Sinn Fein stands for, how they operate, and why they are able to continue doing so.

Yours faithfully,
ROGER BOLTON,
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May 2.

Alien's progress

From Sir David Serpell

Sir, In the last few years the umbelliferous plant Alexanders (*Smyrnium Olusatrum*) seems to have "taken off" and gone on the rampage in South Devon and Cornwall. It has taken over lanes, hedges, churchyards and cliff paths at an astonishing and indeed alarming rate. Once Alexanders has a foothold, it spreads rapidly, dominating and then ousting a wide variety of other, less forceful, flora.

In itself Alexanders is a vigorous, handsome plant, attractive to many small creatures. But latterly it seems to brook no rivals, particularly in damp areas.

How it acquired its name is not clear, though it's interesting to recall Diogenes' request to Alexander the Great to "get out of the sun". Certainly others must have asked about Alexander, as this letter does about his near-namesake, what can be done to stem the invader's advance?

Yours sincerely,
DAVID SERPELL,
25 Crossparks,
Dartmouth, Devon.
April 24.

Moulders of form

From Mr C. L. Kirch

Sir, I have been made to feel old, not by physical infirmity but by the vagaries of male fashion. Boys in 3A have poured scorn on my "kipper" tie and my "flared" trousers.

Who are these self-appointed arbiters of male good taste? I suspect it is secretly the clothing manufacturers, who have espoused the idea of built-in obsolescence. I am, however, glad to see that I can now wear my braces again.

Yours unfashionably,
C. L. KIRCH, Headmaster,
Wellington School,
Bebington,
Wirral, Merseyside.

God and Mammon

From Mr R. J. Long

Sir, On Sunday I asked a young choirboy what he had bought with his chorister's pay. He replied that he had put the money towards his unit trusts.

Perhaps the practice of reading a comic in the sermon has been superseded by the study of share prices.

Yours faithfully,
ROBERT LONG,
7 Rushdon Close,
Romford, Essex.

ON THIS DAY

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Chartism originated in 1838, in a demand by divergent social groups for political reform; in the following year a national petition was drawn up, only to be rejected by Parliament. In 1840 a second petition, carrying over three million signatures, was likewise rejected

THE NATIONAL PETITION

Yesterday was what may be termed a grand demonstration of the strength of the political body called Chartists.

According to the instructions issued to the various divisions and sections, the Chartist party began to assemble in the Waterloo-road, Bermondsey, Deptford, Croydon, Bethnal-green, Shoreditch, Finsbury, Marylebone, Somers-town, Pancras and numerous other places, at various hours, varying from 7 to 11 o'clock, so as to enable them to be in proper order in Lincoln's-inn-fields, where the different bodies were to assemble and form themselves by 12 o'clock. Accordingly, the neighbourhood of the place of assemblage began to present a very bustling appearance as early as 10 o'clock and the multitude continued to increase up to the time the procession began to move, about half past 1 o'clock, at which hour the number of persons who were drawn to the place could not have been less than 20,000 persons; the greater part were, however, merely spectators, for the numbers of persons who actually formed in procession were, according to the returns made to the Commissioners of Police, 1,960... The number of banners and flags was 70: there was six bands of music, and three Scotch pipers, and three caps of liberty surmounting the lictor's rods. As soon as the procession was formed the movement commenced by four persons on horseback, bearing wands mounted with tricoloured ribands, the riders, as well as the rest, wearing a tricoloured rosette and a tricoloured silk scarf. They were followed by a purple silk banner, with the inscription, "The Sovereignty of the People," followed by others bearing such as "The Charter," "Universal Charter," "No Surrender," "Liberty," and "Free Press." One of the flags, from the inscription of "More pigs and less parsons," with "Universal suffrage," occasioned a vast deal of amusement. The first and second divisions having passed along Little Queen-street and Holborn, were followed by the division to whose care was intrusted the petition, which was placed upon a framework of wood; it weighed about 2 cwt, and was carried by 33 men, the woodwork being ornamented with "The Charter — the People's right;" and the whole body then moved forward at a slow rate, but in a most peaceful and orderly manner, along Holborn, Tottenham-court-road, New-road, down Langham-place, Regent-street, and then in a direct line to the House of Commons, which place they reached about half-past 3 o'clock. Long before their arrival both sides of Parliament-street and the open spaces before the House of Commons, as well as those points which commanded a view of the procession, were crowded to excess; so that at the time the petition arrived the number of persons assembled could not have been less than 50,000. Across Palace-yard a strong body of police, under the directions of Superintendents May and Grissell, were placed so as to afford a free passage for the members of the two houses of Parliament, while to prevent any more inconvenience than was necessary the procession filed off towards Westminster-bridge. The leader having informed Mr. Superintendent May that they only required the delegates and those who carried the petition to be admitted, an avenue was immediately formed by the police...

Owing to the excellent arrangements of the police not the slightest accident occurred...

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FASHION 1 by Liz Smith

The cling's the thing



A departing Royal Ballet star shows off clothes that fit like a second skin

Fashion and dance make perfect partners. From Bakst and the Ballet Russe to the present partnership of Lacroix and Baryshnikov, with the resulting explosion of spinning stripes, spots and high-kicking pouffes in the latest American production of *Gaîté Parisienne*, designers stage virtuoso displays of technique to movement and music. The tutu, the shimmer and stretch of Lycra and the dancer's ritual of tightly wrapping snug tops across gossamer leotards remain an enduring inspiration.

Stretching current fashion classics here is Jennifer Penney who, after 25 years with the Royal Ballet, hangs up her dancing shoes this summer and goes home to Saltspring Island, Vancouver.

But before she is allowed to make her exit Penney joins the Royal Ballet in an historic celebration. June 6 is Dame Ninette de Valois's 90th birthday, and stars of the ballet will converge on Covent Garden for a unique gala performance. Nureyev and Almeida dance Act III of *The Sleeping Beauty*, Sibley and Dowell perform, possibly for the last time, the moving *pas de deux* from *The Dream*. Princess Margaret, president of the Royal Ballet, is taking the Queen; Dame Margot Fonteyn plans to fly in from Panama. This mega-watt "Night of ballet" birthday celebration is also the spearhead for a £3 million appeal for a cause particularly close to royal hearts: the ballet school, founded by Dame Ninette in 1931 which moved in 1955 into White Lodge, Richmond Park, a former royal residence.

Above: Jennifer Penney wears cream and navy striped wrap dress, £59, Joseph Tricot, 18 Sloane Street, SW1, and branches. Suede shoes, £99, Pied à Terre ROUGE, 19 South Molton Street, W1. Dancer Darshan Bhuller Singh wears green striped blazer, £410, Jean Paul Gaultier, cotton trousers, £29.95; Woodhouse, 8 Sloane Street, SW1, and branches. Co-respondent brogues, £105, McAfee Shoes, 100 New Bond Street, W1. Right: Poppy-print cotton jersey leggings, £50, and T-shirt, £49, Kenzo, 27-29 Brook St, W1. Hair by Dorothy for Carita, Make-up by Ariane Photographs by ANTHONY CRICKMAY





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Priceless art



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Sociologists interested in what a woman is prepared to spend on clothes should always check the prevailing price of a Mansfield coat. Frank Russell, founder of the flourishing fashion house, has a simple rule of thumb on price that he has followed for decades: "Whatever the going rate is for the weekly salary of a top-class PA or secretary, that is the price she is prepared to pay for a good coat."

In the 1960s, when Russell scored a significant success by following Paris couturier style line-for-line, and Princess Anne was his most visible customer, a Mansfield mini-length coat in tweed bouclé or triple worsted cost £15. Today, a coat by Mansfield (they dropped the charming vintage word Mantles from the label in 1970) costs around £250.

Mansfield, with its safely styled collection of coats, suits and dresses – and its more casual sister line, Cache d'Or – is one of the few British firms to challenge the successful German manufacturers by providing stores up and down the country with reliably made, medium-priced quality clothes. This, and the company's healthy £20 million annual turnover, turned Russell's 65th birthday and the 40th anniversary of his firm last week into a major cause for celebration.



Above: Seven-eighths coat and short skirt in fine wool gaberdine, navy, honey, black and assorted soft colours, £238; draped-front print blouse, £85. Right: Yellow wool gaberdine spencer jacket over mimosa and black printed polyester shirt dress, £265. All Mansfield from Selfridges, Simpsons, Liberty, W1; Harrods, SW3; Allders, Croydon and Bromley; Lewis's, Manchester; Jenners, Edinburgh.
Photographs by CHRIS DAWES

PEOPLE

Knitting pretty



Kaffe Fassett

Anyone who can knit one, purl one, is an artist. The painter and textile designer Kaffe Fassett was seduced by the colour and textures of wool on a visit to a Scottish mill 22 years ago and has been "painting in yarn" ever since. Taught to cast on and do the basic stocking stitch on the train journey back to London, the application of his skill and his eye as a still-life painter to knitting, and subsequently needlepoint, has since raised the craft to an art form. Both techniques have been thoroughly catalogued in his books, *Glorious Knitting* and *Glorious Needlepoint* (Century, £16.95 each). At his lectures he enjoys meeting knitters who turn up wearing colourful clothes inspired by his work. "Stocking stitch is the only one I do," he says. "I am convinced anyone can do it." You can learn all about an artist's way with wool and share Fassett's enthusiasm in Channel 4's five-part series *Glorious Colour*, which starts today at 5.30pm. A book, *Kaffe Fassett at the V & A*, will be published to celebrate the retrospective exhibition that the museum is preparing on his work to run from November 16 to January 8 1989.

● Body Map dressed Rambert dancers in *The Swamp*. Katharine Hamnett clothed *Strong Language*. Victor Edelstein is the latest in the line of ballet-struck designers. His £1,000 shaded chiffon numbers lavished with gold embroidery at waist and shoulders, created for Richard Alston's new production of *Rhapsody in Blue* for the Rambert Dance Company, can be seen tomorrow on *The Clothes Show*. Selina Scott takes BBC1's cameras backstage to see how Edelstein succeeded in loosening up his normally sculpted style to allow the dancers free movement. The première at Sadler's Wells on June 7 will be attended by the Duchess of York; the season runs until June 25.

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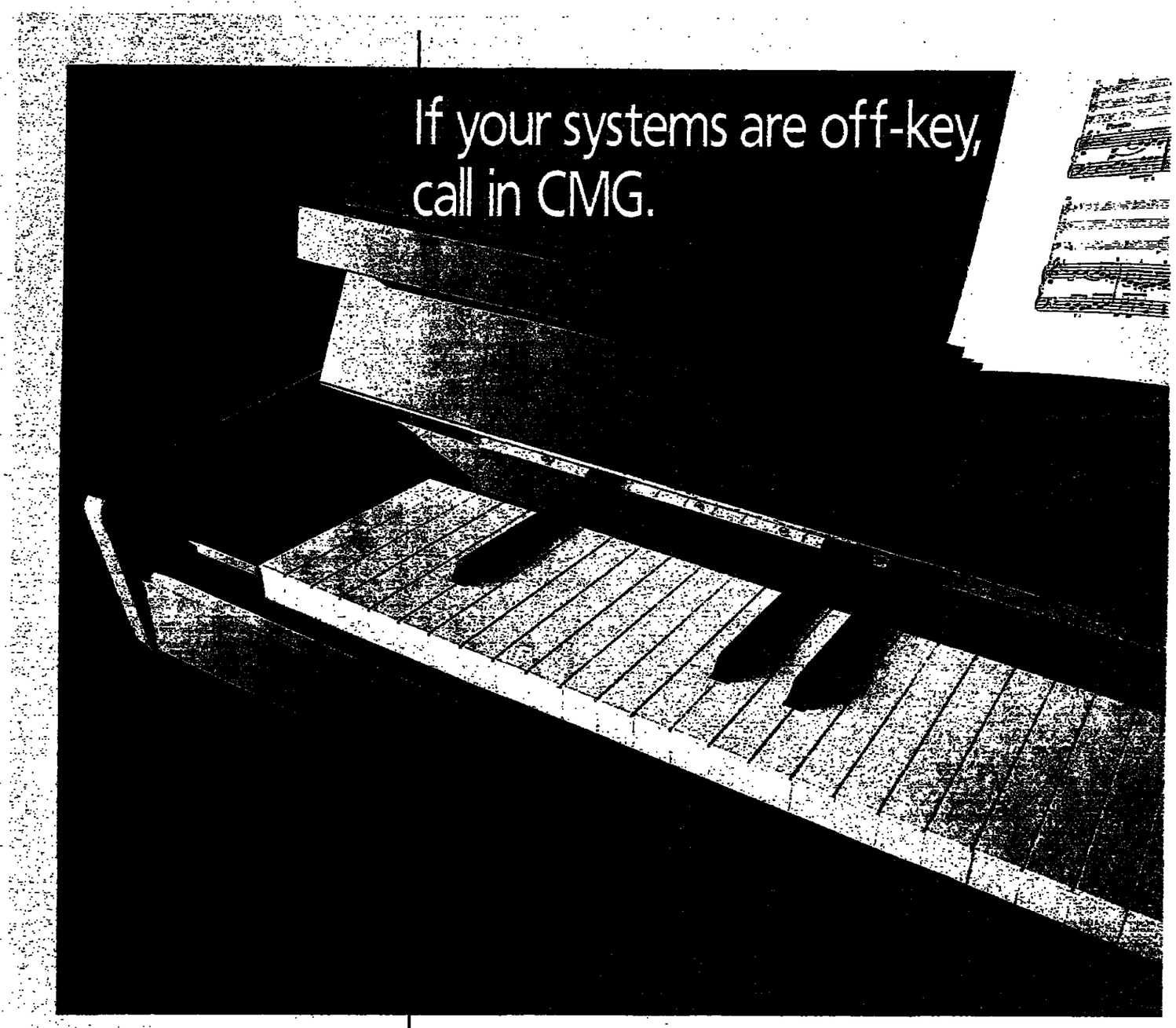
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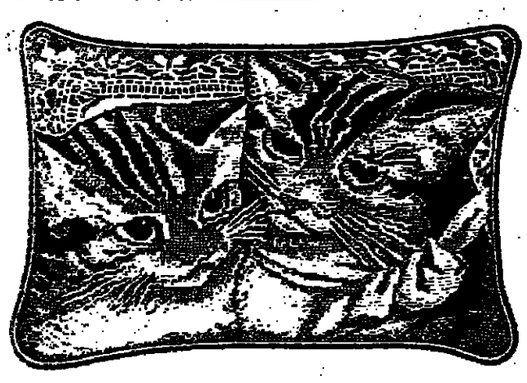
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BUCKINGHAM PALACE
May 2: The Duchess of York, Patron of the Motor Neurone Disease Association and President of the Anastasia Trust for the Deaf, accompanied by The Duke of York, this evening attended a charity performance of 'Back With A Vengeance' at the Strand Palace Theatre in aid of the Motor Neurone Disease Association and the Anastasia Trust for the Deaf.

Mrs. John Floyd and Captain William McLean were in attendance.

The Prince Edward, attended by Lieutenant-Colonel Sean O'Dwyer, arrived at Heathrow Airport, London, this morning from Australia.

Birthdays today

Mrs Kathy Cook, athlete, 28; Mr Henry Cooper, boxer, 54; Mr Graham Day, chairman and chief executive, Rover Group, 55; Sir Russell Fairgrieve, former MP, 64; Sir William Glock, music lecturer and critic, 80; Lieutenant-General Sir Michael Gray, 56; Sir William Gray, former Lord Provost of Glasgow, 60; Dr David Harrison, vice-chancellor, Exeter University, 58; Major-General Sir Ralph Hone, former Attorney-General in Gibraltar and Uganda, 92; Miss Ruth Lister, former director, Child Poverty Action Group, 39; Miss Sheila McKechnie, director, Shelter, 40; Mr Randle Manwaring, poet, 76; Mr Peter Oosterhuis, golfer, 39; Professor Anne Robertson, Roman numismaust, 78; Dame Joan Seccombe, former chairman, Conservative Women's National Committee, 58; Miss Dodie Smith, dramatist and novelist, 92; Mr Norman Thelwell, illustrator and cartoonist, 65; Mr Alan Wells, athlete, 36.

Anniversaries

Births: Nicolo Machiavelli, diplomat and writer, Florence, 1469; Augustus Kotzebue, poet, Weimar, Germany, 1761; Francois Coty, perfume manufacturer, Ajaccio, Corsica, 1874; Golda Meir, prime minister of Israel 1969-74, Kiev, 1898.
Deaths: Thomas Hood, poet, London, 1845.

School service

Westonbirt School
A service of thanksgiving to celebrate the school's sixtieth anniversary will be held in Gloucester Cathedral on Friday, July 8, at 11 am. All old girls, past members of staff and friends of the school are invited. Please notify the Headmistress if you intend to be present, as soon as possible.

Lecture

University College London
The inaugural lecture by Professor C. Wilkin, 'The Frontier Between Particle and Nuclear Physics', will be given on Thursday, May 12, at 5.30 pm, at the Chemistry Auditorium, Christopher Ingold Laboratories, Gordon Street, WC1. Admission free.

Order of the Bath

The Dean and Chapter of Westminster and the officers of the Order of the Bath extend a warm invitation to all members of the order and their families to meet them and the other clergy and lay officers of Westminster Abbey, for a private view of the abbey and the Order of the Bath Chapel, after the church is closed to the public, followed by a conversazione in College Garden from 6.30 - 8.30 pm on Tuesday, June 28, 1988. Admission is by ticket only, obtainable from the Assistant Receiver General (Protocol), 20 Dean's Yard, London, SW1P 3PA. Please print your name, title, decorations and address in block capital letters, state how many tickets you require, and enclose a stamped addressed envelope. Admission tickets will be sent to those who accept. Directions and details of car parking arrangements will be printed on the back of the ticket.

Metal detecting

All that glisters is not treasure trove

By Patrick O'Hanlon

Tales of hidden treasure have a perennial thrill, as the country's estimated 250,000 metal detector users know. Regardless of the weather, they will have been out in their droves this bank holiday weekend.

Mr Nigel Lawson, the Chancellor, has announced that the Government intends to take a firm hand with people who fail to declare treasure trove, and to reward more quickly those who act legally. In legal circles, however, treasure trove law is regarded as being in a mess.

Nothing better demonstrates this than the sorry tale of Mr Andrew Shaw, the excavator driver who, in 1982, unearthed the famous Coppergate Anglo-Saxon helmet on a York building site. With commendable public spirit, he called in expert archaeological assistance and the fragile helmet was saved.

It was iron with bronze mounts; but had it been an antiquity made of gold or silver, he would probably have been rewarded with the full market value. Ecstatic British Museum experts valued it at £500,000. Mr Shaw received £50.

The increasingly widespread use of detectors as well as mechanical diggers have resulted in more and more hoards being unearthed. But, unless the finder follows the correct procedures, his elation can quickly turn to despair.

Treasure trove in England includes only objects of gold and silver, and neither coins nor works of art in base metals. It is essential also that it must have been hidden purposely by some former owner, with the intention of returning — not merely dropped, or lost, or offered as a sacrifice — and this has led to many legal doubts and disputations.

Under Scottish law and that of various foreign countries all objects of antiquarian value, whatever their material, when found in similar conditions, rank as moveable ancient monuments, and are covered by the laws which affect important ancient buildings.

It is in the finder's interest quickly to report all finds. A coroner then decides what is treasure trove and holds an inquest with a jury.

A Law Commission report last year advised that treasure trove law should be reformed, but only after a national policy has been established for the preservation of treasures of archaeological interest. A law could then be prepared to protect finds.

A number of defects in the law were identified: treasure trove relates only to gold and silver and does not cover the likes of Roman coins or Anglo-Saxon armour; casual losses like a unique mediaeval jewel found at Middleham Castle, north Yorkshire, or objects intentionally abandoned in burial rites, are not covered; and there is no automatic right to a reward.

In the last eight years, two private member's Bills designed to give greater protection to small antiquities have failed.

However, changes recommended by an interdepartmental group set up in December 1986 by Mr John MacGregor, the then Treasury Chief Secretary, have been accepted by Mr Lawson. Finders who acted lawfully would receive ex-gratia payments "equal to the full value of their finds", said the Chancellor, but the criminal law would remain the main sanction for the "small minority" who acted illegally.

The relationship between detector users and museums, meanwhile, is an uneasy one. Some museums refuse to look at anything found with a metal detector while others, such as the Museum of London, have harnessed the enthusiasm of detectors and try to work with them.

There is a well developed network of detector clubs under the umbrella of the National Council for Metal Detecting, a plethora of guide books and *Treasure Hunting Magazine* with amonthly circulation of more than 10,000.

A metal detector can be bought for as little as £40, but more sophisticated models which can tell the difference between a 1980 nail and a mediaeval relic, can cost as much as £500. Many enthusiasts find, however, that the interest in historical finds will outweigh the financial rewards.

THE THYSSEN MASTERPIECES



Pieter de Hooch is best known for his sensitive handling of the theme of the Dutch interior, as it had been perfected by Vermeer, who, like him, lived and worked in Delft.

After 1660, however, de Hooch moved to Amsterdam, where he executed the canvas, a detail of which is produced here, probably around the middle of the decade. It is one of a number which show various parts of the Town Hall in Amsterdam, now the Royal Palace, and is exceptional for its grandeur of scale.

The room in which the scene is set is the Council Chamber, and de Hooch has included a number of details still identifiable, the most prominent of which is the large painting over the fireplace, partly obscured here by a heavy drape.

Despite the designation of many of de Hooch's works as 'slices of life', the overall effect of this work is considerably more ambitious, dwarfing the figures in the space they occupy. It is on show as part of the Thyssen-Bornemisza Collection of Old Masters, sponsored by The Times, at the Royal Academy until June 12.

Forthcoming marriages

Al-Sharif Abdullah bin Al-Hussein and Miss A.S.G.M. Harvey
The engagement is announced between Abdullah bin Al-Hussein, and Antonella, daughter of the Hon John and Mrs Harvey, of Coed-y-Maen, Meifod, Powys.

Mr A.J.P. Bache and Miss J.H. Harper
The engagement is announced between Alexander, second son of Mr and Mrs Andrew Bache, of West Drive, Virginia Water, Surrey, and Joy, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs Howard Harper, of Camden Park, Tunbridge Wells, Kent.

Mr C.H. Benthall and Miss B.V. Elliott
The engagement is announced between Charles, son of Mr and Mrs J.H. Benthall, of Benthall Hall, Broseley, Shropshire, and Bridget, second daughter of Mr and Mrs J.A. Elliott, of 12 Cathcart Road, London, SW10.

Dr H.S. Boardman and Dr M.F. Clarke
The engagement is announced between Hugh, elder son of Mr and Mrs A.V. Boardman, of Newcastle upon Tyne, and Mary, elder daughter of Dr and Mrs J.A. Clarke, of Wimbledon.

Mr A.S.H. Maybanks and Miss S. Hardy
The engagement is announced between Adrian Stuart Harewood, son of Mr and Mrs E.F. Maybanks, of Weybridge, Surrey, and Susan, only daughter of Mr and Mrs R. Hardy, of Glenfield, Leicestershire.

Mr R. Elkin and Miss R. Lister
The engagement is announced between Richard, son of Mr and Mrs William Elkin, of Brundall, and Rachel, daughter of Mr Keith Lister, of Brundall, and Mrs Virginia Thompson, of Bury St Edmunds.

Mr S.S. Cardell and Miss D.A. Gutesha
The engagement is announced between Stuart Southwell, son of Mr and Mrs D. Cardell, of Cathedine, Brecon, and Deborah Ann, daughter of Mr and Mrs Gutesha, of Bronllys, Brecon.

Mr T.C.D. Esser and Miss E.K. Beattie
The engagement is announced between Toby, younger son of Mr Robin Esser, of Fulham, and the late Mrs Irene Esser, and Emma, younger daughter of Mr D.J.C. Beattie, of Kensington, and Mrs D.K. Wells, of Suffolk.

Mr J.R.D. Haynes and Miss J.A. Barrows
The engagement is announced between Jonathan, youngest son of Mr and Mrs G. Haynes, of The School House, Warnham, Sussex, and Jacqueline, only daughter of Mr and Mrs D.W. Barrows, of Park Farm, Runcton Holme, Kings Lynn, Norfolk.

Mr M.J. May and Miss J.M. Langham
The engagement is announced between Michael, son of Brigadier and Mrs P.H.M. May, of Hawkwell House, Stamfordham, Northumberland, and Jill, daughter of Mr and Mrs John Langham, of Bingham's Melcombe, Dorchester, Dorset.

Surgeon Lieutenant (D) M.W. Bray, RN and Miss D.M.A. Baxter
The engagement is announced between Miles William, son of Mr and Mrs J.A. Bray, of Torquay, Devon, and lately of Exeter, and Deborah Miriam Anne, eldest daughter of Major-General I.S. Baxter, CBE, and Mrs Baxter, of Plymouth, Devon.

Mr J.A. Oliver and Miss S.E. Bucknill
The engagement is announced between James, son of Dr and Mrs R.M. Oliver, of Effingham, Surrey, and Sarah, daughter of the late Mr T.R.T. Bucknill, and of Mrs M.D. Bucknill, of London, SW19.

Mr F.D. Roll and Miss E.B. Gibbs
The engagement is announced between Ferrill, youngest son of Mr and Mrs M.W. Roll, of Prineville, Oregon, and Belinda, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs Jeremy Gibbs, of Upper Kennards, Leigh, Kent.

Today's royal engagements

Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother will attend a service at the Church of St Mary-le-Bow at 11.50 to mark its 900th anniversary; and will have luncheon at Grocers' Hall at 1.15.

The Prince of Wales, President of Business in the Community, will address the British/American Conference on Private Sector Initiatives at Lancaster House at 11.45.

The Princess of Wales, Patron of British Red Cross Youth, will name a British Rail 125 locomotive "The Red Cross" at Paddington Station at 12.05.

The Princess Royal will open the new unit at Evans Medical factory, Speke, Liverpool, at 10.25; as President of the British Knitting and Clothing Export Council, will visit Weatherall Bond Street W1, 6-12 Colquitt Street, Liverpool, at 12.10; and will open Wirral Autisitic Society's new extension to Raby Hall, Bromborough, Merseyside, at 2.25.

The Duke of Gloucester will visit the exhibition "Abbeys: Yorkshire's Monastic Heritage" at the Yorkshire Museum, York, at 10.50; and open the Visitor's Centre at Rievaulx Abbey, North Yorkshire, at 3.05.

The Duchess of Gloucester will attend a concert to mark the fortieth anniversary of the foundation of the Council for Music in Hospitals at St John's, Smith Square at 7.30.

Princess Alexandra, Patron of the National Kidney Research Fund, will visit the Renal Unit at Guy's Hospital at 2.00, to mark Kidney Research Month.

Marriage

Mr M.H. Lamport and Miss S.A. nelson
The marriage took place on Wednesday, April 27, at St Nicholas' Church, Chislehurst, between Mr Mark Lamport and Miss Saralie Nelson.

A reception was held at Seal, near Sevenoaks, and the honeymoon is being spent in Thailand.

Archaeology

Discoveries in the Temple of Ptah

By Norman Hammond, Archaeology Correspondent

A British team working at the capital of ancient Egypt have added more than 140 items to the catalogue of inscriptions and sculptures known from the city.

Working mainly at the Temple of Ptah built by Ramesses II (1276-1213 BC), the team has uncovered carved processions of figures bringing offerings to the god on the Pharaoh's behalf.

The city of Memphis, some 14 miles south of Cairo, was the capital of a unified Egypt from about 3000 BC, when Upper and Lower Egypt were united by the founder of the First Dynasty, Menes or Narmer. The necropolis at Saqqara, on the desert bluffs to the west, has long been famous for its monuments and tombs, including the Stepped Pyramid of Zoser and the recently discovered tombs of the Pharaoh Horemheb and Maya.

Memphis, lying on the floodplain of the Nile, has in contrast been obscured by flood deposits and modern settlement, and only a few buildings are visible. Even these are flooded for much of the year.

The current project, co-ordinated by Professor Harry Smith, of University College London, is intended to study the ancient city in all its varied aspects, by a combination of archaeological and epigraphic surveys, resistivity and geological tests, and excavation. Mr Jaromir Malek, of Oxford University, who is in charge of the epigraphic work, describes the discoveries of the past winter's campaign in the current (and, unfortunately, last) issue of *Archaeology Today*.

The Ptah Temple was discovered by the founder of modern Egyptology, Auguste Mariette, more than a century ago, and was partly investigated early this century by Sir Flinders Petrie.

The western part, all that is presently exposed, consists of a massive pylon 74 by 40 metres (about 240 by 130 feet), with a monumental gateway leading to a columned court. There were also north and south entrances, and all of them were flanked by colossal statues of Ramesses II, some over 13 metres (40 feet) high.

One of the long sides of the pylon seems to point towards a yet-undiscovered earlier temple of Ptah to the west, Mr Malek thinks. Almost all the masonry, of fine limestone, has gone, removed for the construction of Cairo, leaving only the harder blocks and the granite foundations.

The waterlogged temple was pumped dry last October: few people would expect to have to wear Wellington boots every day on an Egyptian dig, Mr Malek says, but the water and reeds were replaced by deep mud. The cleaned stones were recorded, but because of the large size of the blocks photography replaced the usual method of drawing on to transparent plastic sheets.

More than 3,800 items have so far been entered in the corpus of inscriptions and sculptures from Memphis, stored on a computer in the Griffith Institute at Oxford. Mr Malek feels that as a result of the project "some of the current views and theories will have to be radically reassessed."

Source: *Archaeology Today*, Vol 9 No 3, 40-45.

Service promotion

Vice Admiral Sir Patrick Reffell, KCB, is to be promoted Admiral, the appointment to take effect on September 28, 1988.

Middle Temple

Mr A.K. Lewis, QC, Mr G.C. Ryan, QC, and Miss Sheila M.C. Cameron, QC, have been elected Masters of the Bench of the Inner Temple.

Bridge festival

The 10th Jersey Festival of Bridge took place at St Brelade's Bay Hotel when more than 400 players competed over the ten-day period. The main event for the Swiss Teams championship sponsored by Laing & Cruickshank was won by Mr and Mrs M Pool, of Sussex, playing with M Kingsland and G.B Soper of Kent.

Championship Pairs: 1 P Spencer, K Barker (Essex) 1394.5. 2 T Bracknaw (Berks) B Gales (Surrey) 1316.1. 3 Miss P Mettyman, F.L. Money (Channel Islands) 1313.6.

St Helier Trophy: 1 I Ons, Mrs L Pierce (Cl) 1272. 2 Mrs U Bedingham (Dorset) Mrs M Webb (Herts) 1271.6. 3 Mrs N Blancy, Mrs I Hamlett (Cl) 1245.5.

Swiss Teams for Laing & Cruickshank Trophy: 1 Mr and Mrs J Pool (Sussex) M Kingsland (GB) and G B Soper (Kent). 2 J Baker, S M Preston, A Hughes, J.D Moore (Hants and IOW). 3 W.J.S Brooman, D Waser (Manchester), A.M.G Thompson (Middlesex) R Plumley (Cl), 4 Mr and Mrs D Crouch. Mrs B Dersh. Mrs B Carr (Susses).

London Festival of Bridge: Mixed Pairs: K Karlsen, Mrs M Jaynes (Surrey). 2 Ms M Nathan, G Osmond (Middlesex). Flitch: Mr & Mrs B Preston (Ireland).

Championship Pairs: 1 P Fletcher, N Selway. 2 R Brinig, C Simpson. 3 G Bobby, R Wood. all London.

Swiss Teams: 1 N Perceval-Price (Chum) A McNeice G Bobby, R Wood, all London 179. 2 P Bailey, T Ward, D Patterson, M Sheridge (Kent) 177. 3 R.S Brock, D.A.L Burn, P Crouch, A Dyson, all London 171.

Plans for a 'new' 18th century village

By John Young
Agriculture Correspondent

Plans for a new village built on traditional 18th century lines, with small houses clustered around a green, a village hall, shop and school, have been submitted to Newbury District Council.

It is the idea of Mr James Gladstone, a farmer and journalist, who has applied for the development on 25 acres of his least productive land.

He maintains that it is totally different from the various schemes for much larger "urban villages" in other parts of Berkshire which the local authorities have joined forces with Mr Michael Heseltine to oppose.

Writing in the magazine *Big Farm Weekly* he points out that since second rate land is no longer wanted for farming, the question is how to take it out of production.

The revival of interest in classical architecture means that there is a small group of young architects able to build to a quality and standard which will blend into andenhance the landscape, he says. With many modern developments the question is how to screen them from view; this one would be designed to be seen.

Mr Gladstone points out that he farms on the edge of a town which, if it spreads any further, will spill on to his land.

The new village, in contrast, would be two miles from the centre of town, surrounded by 60 acres of open fields and woods, with two miles of new footpaths.

In talks with two large City institutions, he was encouraged to find that they were less interested in squeezing every last penny out of the development than in creating a blueprint for similar villages elsewhere.

A sign of the times is that the plans envisage a pub but not a church. But the local rural dean is said to have remarked that the village hall would provide a useful "worship resource."

OBITUARY

MR BEN LEXCEN

America's Cup design winner from Australia

Mr Ben Lexcen, the Australian yacht designer, whose innovatory skills led to Alan Bond's historic victory in the 1983 America's Cup, died from a heart attack in Sydney on May 1 at the age of 52.

It was Lexcen's radical wing-keeled 12-metre design, *Australia II*, which gave the challenger a technical advantage over the Americans for the first time in the 132-year history of this famous yachting event.But it was pure accident which got him into yacht designing in the first place.

The benefits Lexcen's T-shaped wing keel brought were a marked improvement in stability and manoeuvrability, allowing the Royal Perth Yacht Club's challenger to outrace its American rival. Lexcen himself, rumpled in personal appearance and often unshaven, looked out of place among the well-dressed yachting elite gathered at Newport,Rhode Island.

During the competition he had to go into hospital because of high blood pressure, the first sign of the condition which was to kill him.

Brought up by his grandmother in Newcastle, New South Wales, after being abandoned by his father, Robert Miller (as Lexcen was born) left school at the age of 14 to take up an apprenticeship as a shipwright

The accident which changed the course of his life occurred in Brisbane in 1960 when he fell from the top of a 14-metre mast and nearly killed himself. While he was in hospital for four months, a sailmaking friend from Brisbane provided a drawing board to keep him amused.

But Miller's doodlings led to a radical new design for a Sydney Harbour 18ft trapeze dinghy. This was to set a trend towards ultra-lightweight skiffs and later led to his winning the world championship in a development of this initial boat.

He afterwards quickly made a name for himself worldwide both as a sailor and designer including the International Contender single-hander and a number of Admiral's Cup Ocean racing designs. He also represented Australia at the 1972 Olympics, sailing a Soling keelboat.

It was during this time that he first became involved with Alan Bond,the multimillionaire entrepreneur from Perth,travelling with him to New York to look at a yacht for sale. While there, Bond caught sight of an American 12-metre and Miller explained to him about the America's Cup.

Bond was enthralled, but when he went over to look over the boat and ask questions he was snubbed so badly by an American crewman that Bond commissioned the Australian there and then to design a similar boat "to win the bloody trophy".

From that point Lexcen never looked back,designing and modifying four America's Cup challengers for Bond until his *Australia II* finally broke the longest sporting run in history.

His change of name from Miller came in the late 1970s from a disagreement with a former business partner who retained Miller's name in a sail-making business.

The Australian designer appealed to a friend responsible for the computerised mailing list of *Reader's Digest* to find him the most unusual name. Lexcen was one of three the computer uncovered, while Ben was the name of his favourite dog. But he was known as "Ben Bob" by his closest friends.

DR FREDERICK PATTERSON

Dr Frederick D. Patterson, founder of the United Negro College Fund, which has enabled many thousands of black Americans to receive higher education, died in New Rochelle, New York, on April 26, aged 86.

His services to the funding of education were acknowledged last year when President Reagan awarded him the Presidential Medal of Freedom.

From 1935 to 1953 he was president of the Tuskegee Institute in Alabama, the old-established black college founded by Booker T. Washington. It was because other black colleges, perennially short of money, looked to Tuskegee for a lead that Patterson evolved the idea of a consortium to raise funds jointly. The Fund was set up with the motto "A mind is a terrible thing to waste."

In the 1970s he then set up the College Endowment Funding Plan to help small colleges in danger of becoming over-dependent on government funds.

He was also president of the Phelps-Stokes Fund, working to improve the status of blacks in both the United States and Africa, the welfare of the American Indian and standards of low-income housing in New York City.

BRIG W. M. INGLIS

Brigadier W. M. ("Joe") Inglis, CBE, former commandant of the Royal School of Military Engineering at Chatham and a Scottish Rugby international, died on April 22, aged 73.

After getting his Blue at Cambridge and playing for the Army, he represented Scotland at prop forward in 1937 and 1938, Scotland's "grand slam" season.

In the second season he played in the Calcutta Cup at Twickenham, the first Rugby international to be televised. Later he was an active member of London Scottish.

During the Second World War he was mentioned in dispatches at Dunkirk and wounded in 1945 during the Rhine crossing. He was an observer of the British nuclear tests at Maralinga in 1958, and went to Chatham as commandant in 1967.

He is survived by his wife, Lolita, and the three children of his first marriage to Moira McIntyre, who died in 1972.

H. L. BEALES

Lord Roll of Ipsden writes:
I should like to add two points to your admirable obituary of Lance Beales (April 22). As you rightly say, he wrote little himself, but the number of books and articles, to say nothing of doctoral theses, which he inspired and guided must be enormous.

No young scholar in search of a subject ever left his study empty-handed. Lance would go to his bookshelves and down would come some obscure early-nineteenth-century pamphlet, and: "Why don't you write about this fascinating controversy which hardly anyone knows about?"

His subsequent guidance often made him virtually co-author of a valuable piece of research.

The other point is the role which his wife Taffy played as his companion sharing many of his interests.

Together they made their house an ever-open meeting place to old and young. Many a budding scholar, politician or businessman would have the opportunity of meeting distinguished men and women in the most agreeable atmosphere of easy hospitality.

Lance kept up his interests and his good humour to a ripe old age. When I telephoned to wish him well on his 94th birthday he said: "You'll have to do this six more times. I intend to live to a hundred." Alas, he did not quite make it.

PROF VALERY LEGASOV

Professor Valery Legasov, the Soviet scientist who led the commission of inquiry into the Chernobyl reactor disaster, died on April 27, almost two years to the day after the accident. He was 52.

He visited Chernobyl hours after the explosion and fire which devastated one of the reactors, but it was not publicly known whether or not he had been exposed to dangerous levels of radiation.

Legasov, who was deputy director of the Kurchatov atomic Institute, and a leading member of the Soviet Academy of Sciences, was widely praised by foreign colleagues in the nuclear power field for his openness in discussing the causes and effects of the accident.

The Rev Fred Jordan, who has died aged 78, was a pioneer of American television evangelism, and in 1949 opened a mission on Skid Row in Los Angeles which still continues to feed about 1,000 people every day.

REAR-ADM D. J. HOARE

Mr John Lello writes:
I was on the staff when Atlantic College, South Wales, was founded in 1962. Kurt Hahn had been a powerful influence, but Desmond was surely the father.

We sometimes disagreed with him, but he also won our trust which was so vital in those insecure days; he quickly became the critical element in the survival of a precarious experiment.

He was controversial as a head but a stunning catalyst for action, cohesion and hard work.

He also worked comfortably in an international dimension as though it was the most natural stance, which it certainly was not in the early Sixties.

He was equally at home with new students who could barely speak English as he was with Lord Mountbatten or King Husain: he gave us all perspective and was the most appropriate man to launch, almost magically, a great idea.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & PERSONAL

Nevertheless I am continually with thee: thou hast holden me by my right hand.
Psalm 73: 23

BIRTHS

HICKS - On Tuesday April 26th, to Edwina (nee Portman) and Tim, a son, James, a brother for Camilla.

MENZIES-WILSON - On April 28th, to Charles and Christian (nee Catto), a son, Richard Napier, a brother for Cathryn.

DEATHS

FITT - On April 29th 1988, peacefully, Frank Terence formerly of Martins Bank. Flowers and enquiries to R.A. Brooks and Son, Haywards Heath, Sussex. Tel 0444 454391.

HUSSELL - On April 28th, 1988, peacefully at Grasnbank Hospital, Plymouth, Robert Brian, loving husband of Pamela, devoted father of Karen and Paul, and much loved brother of David, Alan and Barbara. Funeral private. A service of Thanksgiving will be held on Monday 9th May at Trinity United Reformed Church, Tor Lane, Hartley, Plymouth at 1pm. No flowers please, if desired cheques made payable to The Plymouth and District Leukaemia Fund, may be sent to Walter C Parson, Funeral Director, 11 Tothill Avenue, St Judes, Plymouth, PL4 8PJ.

PARRY EVANS - On April 29th, peacefully in Horsham, Edward, aged 86 years, beloved husband of the late Kathe, dear father of Efra and Caris, loving "Taid" of Geraint, Rhodri, Kate and Edward and proud great grandfather of Alice. Funeral on Friday May 6th at 3.15pm, at Worth Crematorium. No flowers at his request, donations if desired to Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution, 20 Great Queens Street, London WC2.

SMITH - On April 27th 1988, very suddenly in Brighton, Vera Victoria Smith M.B.E. aged 71 years, much loved by her many friends. Service at The Downs Crematorium, Bear Road, Brighton on Monday May 16th at 3pm. No flowers by her request but donations if desired to Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution, 20 Great Queens Street, London WC2.

STACHOWSKI - On April 22nd, suddenly Henryk G., R.I.B.A. aged 65. Funeral service at St. Andrew Bobola Church, 1 Leyfield, London SW12 on Friday May 6th at 1.30pm.

MEMORIAL SERVICES

INGLIS - A memorial service for Brig. William Murray Inglis, C.B.E., will be held at St. Mary the Virgin, Wimbledon SW19 on Friday May 20th at 2.30pm.

IN MEMORIAM - WAR

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ROBERTON - ROBBIE, d.o.b 3.5.62 killed tragically on 16th February 1984. 'Sad memory brings the light of happier days around me'.
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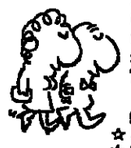
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☆ **ALPHA BETA:** George Costigan and Gillian Brown as the unforgiving married couple shredding and shedding each other in Ted Whitehead's drama.
Man in The Moon, 392 King's Road SW3 (01-351 2875). Tube: Sloane Square, then bus down the Kings Road. Previews until May 4, Tues-Sat 7.30-9.30pm. Opens May 5, 7-9pm, then as before. £4.

☆ **BLOODY POETRY:** Nigel Terry plays Byron and Mark Rylance is Shelley in start of a Howard Brenton season "Three Plays for Utopia". Until May 21.
Royal Court Theatre, Sloane Square, London SW3 (01-730 1745). Tube: Sloane Square. Mon-Sat 8-10.30pm, mats Sat 4-6.30pm. £4-£12.

☆ **BLUES IN THE NIGHT:** Hit black blues show, with Carol Woods, Sarah Woollett, Helen Gelzer and Peter Straker singing their hearts out in a sleazy Chicago hotel.
Piccadilly Theatre, Denman Street, W1 (01-437 4506). Tube: Piccadilly Circus. Mon-Thurs 8-10pm, Fri and Sat 6.30-8pm and 9-11pm. £8.50-£14.50. (D)

☆ **THE COMMON PURSUIT:** Simon Gray play traces the fortunes of undergraduate friends; splendid cast led by Rik Mayall, John Sessions, Stephen Fry, John Gordon Sinclair.
Phoenix Theatre, Charing Cross Road, WC2 (01-836 2294). Tube: Tottenham Court Road. Mon-Thurs 8-10.15pm, Fri and Sat 8.45-11pm, mats Fri and Sat 6-8.15pm. £6-£14.50.

☆ **DANGEROUS OBSESSION:** Better-than-average revenge thriller. Politely smiling Dinsdale Landen drags Jeremy Bulloch and Hilary Tindall over the coals.
Fortune Theatre, Russell Street WC2 (01-836 2238). Tube: Covent Garden. Mon-Fri 8-10.05pm, Sat 8.30-10.35pm, mats Wed 3-5.05pm and Sat 5.30-7.35pm. £6-£13.50.

★ **DOCTOR FAUSTUS:** Stephen Jenn plots to capture Peter Guinness's soul in Marlowe's version of the legend.
Young Vic Theatre, 66 The Cut SE1 (01-928 6363). Tues-Thurs 7.30pm, mats Wed Thurs and Fri 2pm. £7.50.

☆ **THE FOREIGNER:** Patchy comedy. Nicholas Lyndhurst as a timid tourist in the US struck dumb with nerves.
Albery Theatre, St Martin's Lane WC2 (01-836 3878). Tube: Leicester Square. Mon-Sat 8-10.30pm, mats Thurs and Sat 3-5.30pm. £5-£13.50.

☆ **ONE WAY PENDULUM:** Jonathan Miller's production of N F Simpson's absurdist comedy: strong cast of human actors and tuneful chorus of weighing-machines rehearsing "Hallelujah Chorus".
Old Vic Theatre, Waterloo Road SE1 (01-928 7616). Tube: Waterloo. Opens tonight, 7pm, then Mon-Fri 7.30pm, Sat 7.45pm, mats Wed 2.30pm, and Sat 4pm. £4-£14.

★ **SOUTH PACIFIC:** Gemma Craven and Emile Belcourt in magnificently staged revival.
Prince of Wales Theatre, Coventry Street, W1 (01-839 5989). Tube: Piccadilly Circus. Mon-Sat 7.30pm, mats Wed and Sat 2.30pm. £8.50-£20.

★ **THE WINTER'S TALE:** Tim Pigott-Smith and Eileen Atkins in Peter Hall's production.
National Theatre (Cottesloe), South Bank SE1 (01-928 2252). Tube: Waterloo. Preview tonight 7.30-11.15pm. Opens May 19, 7-10.45pm, then in rep. £10.

WORD-WATCHING
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BIBLIANDER
(c) **Theodor Bibliander (= Buchmann), 1504-64, the Zwinglian theologian who succeeded to Zwingli's chair on the Reformer's death in 1531.**

CELEBRET
(b) A certificate from a competent source, normally the priest's ordinary, authorizing its possessor to say Mass: from the Latin "he may celebrate".

HROSVIT
(a) A German Christian poetess nun of the 10th century who wrote improving Latin poems and plays to Whitehouse the classics.

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(b) Fanatical bands of predatory and heretical peasants who flourished (swords) in the north of Africa, especially Numidia, in the 4th century; they soon ganged up with the Donatists.

LONG RUNNERS: ☆ **Beyond Reasonable Doubt:** Queens Theatre (01-734 1166). . . ☆ **The Business of Murder:** Mayfair Theatre (01-629 3036). . . ☆ **Cats:** New London Theatre (01-405 0072, cc 01-404 4079). . . ☆ **Chess:** Prince Edward Theatre (01-734 8951). . . ★ **Follies:** Shaftesbury Theatre (01-379 5399). . . ☆ **42nd Street:** Drury Lane Theatre (01-836 8108/9/0). . . ☆ **Kiss Me Kate:** Savoy Theatre (01-836 8888). . . ☆ **Les Liaisons Dangereuses:** Ambassadors Theatre (01-836 6111, cc 01-836 1171). . . ☆ **Me and My Girl:** Adelphi Theatre (01-240 7913/4). . . ★ **Les Misérables:** Palace Theatre (01-434 0909). . . ☆ **The Mousetrap:** St Martin's Theatre (01-836 1443). . . ★ **Phantom of the Opera:** Her Majesty's Theatre (01-839 2244). . . ☆ **Run For Your Wife:** Criterion Theatre (01-930 3216). . . ☆ **Starlight Express:** Apollo Victoria (01-828 8665). . . ☆ **And Then There Were None:** Duke of York's Theatre (01-836 5122).

OUT OF TOWN

GLASGOW: ☆ **An Imitation of Life:** Haunting two-hander, first shown at London's Bush, where two characters hide and disclose their feelings for a third.
Third Eye Centre, 350 Sauchiehall Street (041-332 7521), 7.30pm, £3.50.

FILMS

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■ **BABY BOOM (PG):** Modish comedy about a power-hungry careerist (Diane Keaton) whose life is thrown haywire by the arrival of an apple-cheeked baby girl. Directed by Charles Shyer (111 min).
✉ **Plaza** (01-200 0200). Progs 12.45, 2.30, 4.45, 7.00, 9.30.

BROADCAST NEWS (15): Slick drama about network TV journalism from James L Brooks *(Terms of Endearment)*; with William Hurt, Albert Brooks, Holly Hunter as the trio caught in a jumble of professional and romantic problems (132 min).
Cannon Chelsea (01-352 5096). Progs 2.25, 5.20, 8.10.
✉ **Odeon Haymarket** (01-839 7697). Progs 2.00, 5.00, 8.10.
Odeon Kensington (01-602 6644). Progs 2.00, 5.00, 8.10.
✉ **Odeon Swiss Cottage** (01-722 5905). Progs 2.00, 5.00, 8.15.

CRY FREEDOM (PG): Richard Attenborough's bumper bundle of exciting spectacle and liberal sentiments; with Kevin Kline as journalist Donald Woods, drawn into the case of South African activist Steve Biko (Denzel Washington) (158 min).
✉ **Empire Leicester Square** (01-200 0200). Progs 12.05, 2.25, 4.45, 7.10, 9.30.

■ **EMPIRE OF THE SUN (PG):** J G Ballard's autobiographical novel about a British child in Shanghai caught by the invading Japanese in the Second World War; filmed by Steven Spielberg with great panache. With Christian Bale, John Malkovich and Nigel Havers (153 min).
✉ **Cannon Fulham Road** (01-370 2636). Progs 1.45, 5.10, 8.40.

■ **THE LAST EMPEROR (15):** Bertolucci's gorgeously photographed epic tells the extraordinary story of Pu Yi, China's last imperial ruler, who lived to become a model Communist citizen. With John Lone, Peter O'Toole (162 min).
Lumière (01-836 0691). Progs 1.20, 4.35, 7.55.
✉ **Screen on Baker Street** (01-935 2772). Progs 2.20, 4.25, 6.50, 9.00.
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■ **MOONSTRUCK (PG):** Should Cher play it safe and marry Danny Aiello, or follow her heart and go for his brother, Nicholas Cage? Norman Jewison took the Best Director award at the Berlin Film Festival and Cher the Best Actress Oscar (102 min).
Cannon Baker Street (01-935 9772). Progs 1.35, 3.50, 6.05, 8.20.
Cannon Bayswater (01-229 4149). Progs 1.10, 3.30, 5.50, 8.25
✉ **Cannon Fulham Road** (01-370 2636). Progs 2.10, 5.10, 8.10.
Cannon Oxford Street (01-636 0310). Progs 1.55, 3.55, 6.15, 8.30.
✉ **Plaza** (01-437 1234). Progs 12.30, 2.45, 5.00, 7.15, 9.30.

RETRIBUTION (18): Dennis Lipscomb as a would-be suicide whose body is taken over by a murder victim bent on revenge (108 min).
Cannon Bayswater (01-229 4149). Progs 2.45, 5.30, 8.25.
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Life and soul of the party

Dionysius (known as Dion) Boucicault is the only British dramatist of the early Victorian period whose plays still hold the stage. *London Assurance*, written when he was aged only 20, delighted audiences in an RSC production in the Seventies, and should be revived annually as a tonic to the nation. Previewing now at the National Theatre is a late play, *The Shaughraun*, produced first in the United States in 1874 where it earned the author half a million dollars — very serious money in those days. "Sensation is what the public wants," he is reputed to have said, "and you cannot give them too much of it." He used striking scenic effects in his domestic comedies and melodramas. Scene-plots survive for many of these, including one for the prison scene in *The Shaughraun*, showing how the walls pivot to reveal Conn, the sparkish shaughraun played by Stephen Rea (above), clinging to the outside. A shaughraun is a vagabond, the soul of every fair, the life of every funeral. Boucicault's plays were written for a proscenium arch but on the revolving open stage of the Olivier Theatre, William Dudley's sets can give reality to the dramatist's dreams. Information from the National Theatre, South Bank, London SE1 (01-928 2252). Preview tonight 7.15pm, opening night May 11, 7pm, £5.50-£14, then in repertory. *Jeremy Kingston*

Cannon Royal (01-930 6915). Progs 1.10, 3.35, 6.00, 8.25.
Cannon Shaftesbury Avenue (01-836 6279). Progs 1.05, 3.25, 5.45, 8.20.

■ **THREE MEN AND A BABY (PG):** Brash Hollywood remake of a flimsy French success. Tom Selleck, Ted Danson and Steve Guttenberg play confirmed bachelors suddenly thrust into the problems of babycare. Leonard Nimoy directs. (103 min).
Cannon Chelsea (01-352 5096). Progs 2.00, 6.05, 8.40.
Cannon Edgware Road (01-723 5901). Progs 1.30, 3.50, 6.05, 8.25.
Cannon Oxford Street (01-636 0310). Progs 1.55, 4.00, 6.15, 8.30.

■ **WITHNAIL AND I (15):** Knockabout British comedy about two out-of-work British actors trying to maintain sanity at the end of the Sixties. Written and directed by Bruce Robinson; with Paul McGann and Richard E Grant (107 min).
✉ **Warner West End** (01-439 0791). Progs 1.55, 4.10, 6.25, 8.45.
Odeon Kensington (01-602 6644). Progs 1.00, 3.30, 5.50, 8.30.

CONCERTS

LUNCHTIME

☆ **THWAITES/LAVENDER:** Penelope Thwaites and John Lavender, the celebrated piano duo, play Mozart's Sonata K 381, Faure's Dolly Suite and some Dvorak Slavonic Dances.
St Martin-in-the-Fields, Trafalgar Square, London WC2 (01-839 1930). 1.05-2pm, free.

☆ **NORRIS NEWS:** After Liszt's *Nuages gris* and *Bagatelle sans tonalité*, David Owen Norris performs Ives's Piano Sonata No. 2 "Concord", a marvellous piece.
Purcell Room, South Bank, London SE1 (01-928 3191, cc 01-928 8800), 1.10-1.55pm, £3.

EVENING

☆ **MOZART, MAHLER:** Michiyoshi Inoue conducts the RPO in Mozart's Piano Concerto K 467 with Jon Kimura Parker as soloist and Mahler's Symphony No 6.
Royal Festival Hall, South Bank, London SE1 (01-928 3191, cc 01-928 8800), 7.30-9.40pm, £3-£15.

☆ **ALL CELLOS:** The 10-cello ensemble of the BBC SO offers Villa-Lobos's Bachianas Brasileiras Nos 1 and 5 with Patrizia Kwella (soprano), plus items ranging from Britten to the Beatles.
Wigmore Hall, 36, Wigmore Street, London W1 (01-935 2141), 7.30 pm, £4-£10.

☆ **GLOCK:** To mark the 80th birthday of Sir William Glock the Nash Ensemble, under Diego Masson, interprets Bach's *A Musical Offering*, Maderna's Serenata No. 2 and Elliott Carter's *Penthode*.
BBC, Broadcasting House, Langham Place, London W1, 7.30 pm, free.

☆ **PILBERRY PLUS:** Mary Pilberry (oboe) and others perform oboe quartets and quintets by Mozart, Boccherini, Crusell.
Purcell Room, 7.30 pm, £3-£5.

☆ **ARCTIC RAG, ETC:** Michael Parson (piano) and Howard Skempton (baritone and accordion) perform Parson's Arctic Rag and Arctic Songs, Skempton's Pendulum and Pendulum 2, plus other pieces they have composed.
British Music Information Centre, 10, Stratford Place, London W1 (01-499 8567), 7.30 pm, free.

DANCE

☆ **SWAN LAKE:** Natalia Makarova's production for London Festival Ballet.
Congress Theatre, Devonshire Park, Eastbourne (0323 36363), 7.30-10pm, £6.

☆ **SEPTET:** Merce Cunningham's production for Rambert Dance Company, with works by Richard Alston and Mary Evelyn.
Playhouse, Wellington Circus, Nottingham (0602 419419), 7.30-9.45pm, £4-£7.

☆ **CHERI:** Peter Darrell's dance version of Colette's story, and other works by him for Scottish Ballet.
Studio Theatre, West Princes Street, Glasgow (041 331 2931), 7.30-10pm, £6.

OPERA

★ **THE KNOT GARDEN:** Tippett's psychological maze of an opera in a new production by Nicholas Hytner. Sian Edwards conducts.
Royal Opera House, Covent Garden, London WC2 (01-240 1066), 8-10pm, £1-£27.50.

★ **SALOME:** André Engel's highly acclaimed new production for Welsh National Opera, on tour with Stephanie Sundine in the title role.
Apollo Theatre, Oxford (0865 244544), 7.15-8.45pm, £7-£19.

☆ **FIDELIO:** New production for Opera North sung in English by a strong cast led by Janice Cairns.
Grand Theatre, Leeds (0532 458351), 7.15-10pm, £3.80-£17.80.

WALKS

JEWISH GHETTO ALLEYS AND OLD COCKNEY QUARTER: meet Whitechapel tube, 11am, £3 (also Fri).

THE VICTORIAN CITY — A TALE OF DICKENS'S LONDON: meet Museum of London, 2.30pm, £3 (also May 17).

IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF SHERLOCK HOLMES: meet Baker Street tube, 11.30am, £3 (also next Tues).

INSIDE LEGAL LONDON: meet Temple tube, 2.30pm, £3 (also next Tues).

JAZZ

☆ **HERMETO PASCOAL:** The influential Brazilian multi-instrumentalist mixes a cocktail of rock, funk, jazz and samba.
Band On The Wall, 25 Swan Street, Manchester (061 832 6525), 8.30pm, £5-£6.

☆ **NANA VASCONCELOS:** Another Brazilian export, the percussionist leads his accessible fusion band, Bush Dance.
The Pavilion Theatre, 29 New Road, Brighton (0273 674357), 8pm, £6.

☆ **JAZZ POETRY EVENING:** Words and music from Barry Fantoni, Michael Horowitz, Molly Parkin and others.
100 Club, 100 Oxford Street, London W1 (01-636 0933), 8pm, £3.50.

☆ **ANDY SHEPPARD/KEITH TIPPETT:** Intriguing pairing of the rising saxophone star and the free-inclined pianist.
Jazz Café, 56 Newington Green, London N16 (01-359 4936), 8.30pm, £3.

☆ **JAMES MOODY:** The American reeds player and composer (*Moody's Mood*) got off to an uneasy start last week, the serious playing interrupted by hit-and-miss banter.
Ronnie Scott's, 47 Frith Street, London W1 (01-439 0747) 9.30pm, £8.

ROCK

☆ **SAXON:** Plundering, pillaging, fire-breathing heavy metal quintet of otherwise down-to-earth Yorkshiremen.
Newport Leisure Centre, Kingsway (0633 59676), 7.30pm, £5.50.

☆ **BONNIE TYLER:** The "Total Eclipse Of The Heart" lassie from Wales.
Lees Cliff Hall, The Leas, Folkestone (0303 54695), 7.30pm, £6.

★ **WAS (NOT WAS):** Out come the "Walk The Dinosaur" freaks with their impeccable rock/soul crossover revue.
Powerhouse, Hurst Street, Birmingham (021 643 4715), 8pm, £5-£6.

☆ **THE REAL SOUNDS OF AFRICA:** Start of a lengthy British tour for the highlife stars of Zimbabwe.
University College of Swansea, SU Refectory, Fulton House, Singleton Park (0792 205678), 8.30pm, £3.50.

GALLERIES

THYSSEN-BORNEMISZA COLLECTION: Fifty Old Master paintings from one of the world's greatest private collections, presented by *The Times*.
Royal Academy of Arts, Burlington House, Piccadilly, London W1 (01-734 9052). Daily 10am-6pm, £3 (concessions and Sun mornings, £2, under-18s, £1.50), until June 12.

THE STAINED GLASS OF HARRY CLARKE (1889-1931):
The Fine Art Society, 148 New Bond Street, London W1 (01-629 5116), Mon-Fri 9.30am-5.30pm, Sat 10am-1pm, free, until June 3.

LUCIAN FREUD: A retrospective of works on paper including a complete set of prints.
Ashmolean Museum, Beaumont Street, Oxford (0865 278000), Tues-Sat 10am-4pm, Sun 2-4pm, free, until June 12.

DIANA CONSTANCE: See caption.
The People's Gallery, 73 Prince of Wales Road, London NW5 (01-267 0433), Tues-Fri 11am-1pm and 2-5pm, Sat 2-5pm, free, until May 27.

NATHANIEL KORNBLUTH: Previously unexhibited prints of the Thames and the East End by an elderly resident of Whitechapel.
Lamont Gallery, 65 Roman Road, London E2 (01-81 6332), Tues-Sat 11am-6pm, free, until June 4.

SPRING 68: Works by seven Czech artists who now live in the West.
Flaxman Gallery, 3 Lever Street, London EC1 (01-253 9515), Tues-Fri 11am-6pm, Sat and Sun 2-6pm, free, until June 5.

ROWAN GILLESPIE: Ornamental figurative bronze sculptures.
The Draycott Gallery, 163 Draycott Avenue, London SW3 (01-736 1404), Mon-Sat 10am-6pm, free, until May 26.

THE SURREALIST SPIRIT IN BRITAIN: A fine assortment mainly of paintings by, among others, Burra, McWilliam and John Tunnard.
Whitford & Hughes, 6 Duke Street, London SW1 (01-930 9332), Mon-Fri 10am-6pm, free, until June 10.

STEPHEN WILLATS: Recent works called "Transformers": "People's Lives in the Modern World" by a chartmaker.
Laing Art Gallery, Higham Place, Newcastle upon Tyne (091-232 7734), Mon-Fri 10am-5.30pm, Sat 10am-4.30pm, Sun 2.30-5.30pm, free, until June 5.

10TH INTERNATIONAL PRINT BIENNALE: Focuses on graphics by British and Australian artists.
Cartwright Hall, Lister Park, Bradford (0274-493313), Tues-Sun 10am-6pm, free, until June 26.

PAUL CEZANNE (1839-1906): A selection from the master's early work up to 1872.
Royal Academy of Arts, Piccadilly, London W1 (01-734 9052), daily 10am-6pm, £3, until August 21.



"The Dead Child" (above) is one of 16 large pastels about Aids by Diana Constance in an exhibition at The People's Gallery (see listing). Constance, an American artist and photo-journalist who has lived in Britain for the last 20 years, is causing controversy. Intended as a compassionate, educative show, the work has been partly responsible for the withdrawal of funds to the gallery by the Greater London Arts Association. The gallery has appealed against the GLAA's decision, pointing out that the exhibition has been hired by a string of borough councils in London and Edinburgh.

TALKS

FUSELI AND HIS CONTEMPORARIES: Gallery lecture by James Malpas.
Tate Gallery, Gallery 6, Millbank, London SW1 (01-821 1313), 1pm, free.

PRINCIPLE BEYOND STYLE: Sir Banister Fletcher gives the first in a series of public lectures — Contemporary transformations of modern architecture.
University College London, Chemistry Auditorium, Christopher Ingold Laboratories, Gordon Street, London WC1, 6pm, free.

SURREY DOCKS: Archaeological Society talk given by Stephen Humphrey (archivist — London borough of Southwark).
Hawkstone Hall, Kennington Road, London SE1, 7pm, free.

GRESHAM LECTURE: Professor John M Pick talks on Rumour, disease and the madness of crowds; followed by miracle cures, spas, shrines and spirits.
Museum of London, Lecture Theatre, London Wall, London EC2 1.05pm, free.

OTHER EVENTS

THE ART OF LEGO EXHIBITION: Celebrating the influence of small plastic bricks on art and design; to which artists, designers, architects, engineers and scientists have contributed. Among the more famous contributors are Kit Williams, David Shilling, Alfred McAlpine plc, Ove Arup Partnership, David Hamilton and Lego UK and Denmark.
Bodelwyddan Castle, Bodelwyddan, near Rhyl, Clwyd (0745 583539), Mon-Wed and Fri, 10.30am-4.30pm, Sat, Sun, Bank Holidays 10.30am-5.30pm, £1.75, child 75p. Until June 26.

MADE IN LONDON SERIES: Alfred Hitchcock's *The Manxman*, the last of his silent movies, made in 1929.
Museum of London, London Wall, London EC2 (01-600 3699), 6.10pm, £1.50.

GOSFORTH PARK ANTIQUES FAIR: Specialist exhibitors; furniture pre-1860, glass, porcelain, metalwork and silver pre-1885, pictures and decorative items pre-1920.
Gosforth Park Hotel, Newcastle upon Tyne (information 091-550 5435), today 11am-9pm, Wed 11am-6pm, £2.50.

BOOKINGS

FIRST CHANCE

SOUTH BANK: June programme includes Claudio Arrau 85th birthday concert; Jack Sarch memorial; and appearances by Kombi rock group from Poland, Balkana from Bulgaria, Henry Mancini, Ray Charles with Ronnie Scott Quintet, and M.I.O. Also Summer Organ Show; Sanskritik Indian Festival; and concerts in End Games series. General booking from today.
South Bank Concert Halls, London SE1 (01-928 3191, cc 01-928 8800).

MARTINI CELLOTHON '88: Weekend of concerts, recitals, master classes, films, exhibitions and lectures celebrating increased awareness of cello; under direction of Julian Lloyd Webber, including appearances by London Suzuki Group, and Amaryllis Fleming. June 3-5. General booking from today.
Queen Elizabeth Hall and Purcell Room, South Bank, London SE1 (01-928 3191, cc 01-928 8800).

SCOTTISH NATIONAL ORCHESTRA: '88 Proms includes choral and Viennese nights; appearances by Craig Sheppard, Julian Lloyd Webber, Graeme McNaught. June 4-11.
Usher Hall, Edinburgh (031-228 1155/6).

LAST CHANCE

NOBLE AND PATRIOTIC: Sir George Beaumont's gift of 16 paintings are seen together for the first time since they were presented to the New National 160 years ago, with work by Rubens, Canaletto, and Claude. Ends today.
National Gallery, Trafalgar Square, London WC2 (01-839 3321, recorded information 01-839 3526).

STEPPING OUT: Final performances of comedy by Richard Harris about fortunes of ladies tap dance class, with Cindy Wells, Linda Ormiston and Nan Kerr. Ends this week.
Perth Theatre, High Street, Perth (0738 21031).

JOAN MIRO: 13 bronzes from Catalan painter who took up sculpture late. Ends Sat.
Fabian Carlsson Gallery, 160 New Bond Street, London W1 (01-409 0619).

Theatre: Jeremy Kingston; Films: Geoff Brown; Concerts: Max Harrison; Opera: Hilary Finch; Rock: David Sinclair; Jazz: Clive Davis; Dance: John Percival; Galleries: David Lee; Walks and Talks: Greta Carslaw; Other Events: Judy Froshaug; Bookings: Anne Whitehouse.

ENTERTAINMENTS

EXHIBITIONS

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6.00 Ceefax AM.
6.35 Leon Errol in *Man I Cured* (b/w) **8.55 Weather.**
7.00 Breakfast Time with John Stapleton and Kirsty Wark. Includes national and international news at **7.00, 7.30, 8.00** and **8.30**; regional news and travel reports at **7.15, 7.45** and **8.15**; weather at **7.25, 7.55** and **8.25.**
9.00 News and weather followed by Open Air. Eamonn Holmes receives viewers' comments on yesterday's television programmes **9.20 Kilroy!** Robert Kilroy-Silk chairs a studio discussion on a topical subject
10.00 News and weather followed by **The Flintstones 10.25 Children's BBC.** Andy Crane with programme details and birthday greetings followed by **Play School** (r), and **Paddington** (r). **10.55 Five to Eleven.** Ronald Pickup with a reading
11.00 News and weather followed by Open Air.
12.00 News and weather followed by **Help is There.** The first of a series of four daily programmes presented by Martyn Lewis about caring for cancer to mark Europe Against Cancer Week. (Ceefax) **12.15 Glynn Christian's New Zealand.** The north of North Island (r). **12.45 The Blue Racer.** Cartoons **12.55** Regional news and weather
1.00 One O'Clock News with Michael Buerk. Weather **1.30 Neighbours.** Who will be Jane's partner at the ball?
1.50 Four Square. The first of a new series of general knowledge quiz presented by Michael Groth **2.15 The High Chaparral.** Western adventures (r).
3.00 Couples. Dilys Morgan talks to Jeffrey and Mary Archer about their marriage (r) **3.25 The Clothes Show** includes a feature on fashion for the disabled.
3.50 Sebastian the Incredible Drawing Dog. With Michael Barrymore (r). **4.00 Doodle**
4.15 Jonny Briggs. Episode nine of the 13-part serial (r). **4.30 Pole Position.** Cartoon adventures.
4.55 Newsround 5.05 Degrassi Junior High. Series about the pupils and staff of a Canadian school (Ceefax) **5.35 Neighbours** (r).
6.00 Six O'Clock News with Nicholas Witchell and Philip Hayton. Weather **6.35 London Plus**
7.00 Three Up, Two Down. Domestic comedy series starring Angela Thorne and Michael Elphick (r). (Ceefax)
7.30 EastEnders. Darren turns over a new leaf at home but fails to impress his hungover sister; Ian makes a suggestion to his parents that puts Pete in a rage; and Pat receives some news about her tenancy application. (Ceefax)
8.00 Brushstrokes. Comedy series starring Karl Howman as an amorous painter and decorator (r). (Ceefax)
8.30 Steptoe and Son. Albert is worried by a visit from the Inland Revenue — he has been claiming on his wife who has been dead for 40 years (r). (Ceefax)
9.00 A Party Political Broadcast on behalf of the Labour Party
9.10 News with Martyn Lewis and Philip Hayton. Regional news and weather.
9.40 Talking Heads: Bed Among the Lentils by Alan Bennett. Maggie Smith stars as a vicar's wife who finds more solace in alcohol than going to church. (Ceefax)
10.30 Network presented by Anna Ford and Craig Charles. A documentary investigating television coverage of terrorism.
11.20 Requiem for a Railway. Peter Brown visits the historic Swindon Workshops just before they closed down in 1986 (r).
11.50 Help is There. A repeat of the programme shown at noon. (Ceefax)
12.00 Weather.

BBC2

6.55 Open University: Special Needs in Education. Ends at **7.20.**
9.00 Ceefax.
9.20 Daytime on Two: a series for maths teachers of pupils aged 11 to 16 **9.32** Students investigate a Devon village street at three different periods **10.15** A bickering brother and sister **10.38** Life in a drought stricken rural area of north-east Brazil **11.00** Urban wildlife **11.18** Episode two of a five-part adventure in French **11.35** Microelectronics **12.00** A problem for 10- to 12-year olds **12.05 Ceefax 12.20** A-level English — Geoffrey Chaucer **12.50** Spanish language course for beginners.
1.20 Postman Pat (r) **1.28 Big Top Science.** Why the wind blows.
2.00 News and weather followed by a series for four- and five-year-olds.
2.15 Sign Extra. A programme about the work of Automobile Association servicemen, adapted for the hearing impaired (r).
2.45 Writers' Houses. Kingsley Amis visits Betemans, the Burwash, East Sussex home of Rudyard Kipling (r).
3.00 News and weather followed by **Doctors to Be.** An *Horizon* documentary about the interview that sixth formers have to pass before they are offered a place at medical school (r). (Ceefax)
3.40 Nobcaboard. Rob Curling previews radio and television programmes; Marian Foster has news of the Daytime Club.
3.50 News, regional news and weather.
4.00 Dr Kildare. Episode one of a six-part vintage American medical series starring Richard Chamberlain and Raymond Massey (r).
4.25 An Actor's Life for Me. A theatrical anthology of the ups and downs of the thespian's profession. Among the contributors are Denholm Elliott, Frances de la Tour and Leonard Rossiter (r).
5.00 Children Talking (b/w). In 1967 Harold Williamson asks children from Sunderland who they thought were important (r).
5.05 Look, Stranger. How a new doctor helped breathe fresh life into Llanaelhaearn, a dying North Wales slate quarrying village (r).
5.30 Gardeners' World presented by Geoff Hamilton and John Kelly from the Nannmor, Gwynedd, garden of Angela and Hugh Mason (r).
6.00 International Pro-Celebrity Golf introduced by Peter Alliss. This week Sandy Lyle and Lee Trevino are joined by Nigel Mansell and Frank Carson over nine selected holes of the Ailsa Course at the Turnberry Hotel.
6.50 Architecture at the Crossroads. This penultimate programme in the series on contemporary architecture examines the pop-up styles of Texas. The narrator is Andrew Sachs (r).
7.30 Wainwright in Scotland. Wainwright, in the last of his series, takes Eric Robson and Adam Watson on a tour of the Cairngorms
8.00 Connoisseur. The first of a new arts quiz game presented by Bamber Gascoigne. In this evening's heat are Vera Brumby from Chatham, Martin Hizzy of Cheltenham, Rupert Martin from Bristol and Edinburgh's Gillian Tait. (Ceefax)
8.30 Brass Tacks: The Disease of Sloppiness. A new series begins with an investigation into whether the new safety measures of cross-channel ferries introduced after the Herald of Free Enterprise disaster are adequate.
9.00 Naked Video. Comedy sketches featuring, among others, Helen Lederer, Ron Bain Elaine C. Smith and Jonathan Watson (r). (Ceefax)
9.30 The Nature of Australia. Programme three of the six-part series examines the making of the bush. Narrated by Robyn Williams. (Ceefax)
10.25 A Party Political Broadcast on behalf of the Labour Party.
10.35 Newsnight.
11.20 Weather 11.25 Interval.
11.30 Open University: World Politics — Potsdam, the Aftermath. Ends at **12.00.**

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6.00 TV-am begins with The Sports Show. Joining Geoff Clark are Sandra and Barry McGuigan; **6.30 The Morning Show** with Richard Keys; **7.00 Good Morning Britain** presented by Anne Diamond and Mike Morris. After Nine guests include pop group the Christians.
9.25 Thames news.
9.30 Cross Wits. World game presented by Tom O'Connor with Katie Boyle and Nicholas Parsons **10.00 Santa Barbara 10.25 News** headlines.
10.30 The Time. . .The Place. Mike Scott chairs a discussion on vicious dogs and exotic pets **11.10 Rainbow.** Learning with puppets **11.25 Thames news** headlines
11.30 About Britain: Wildlife on the Edge. The work of the Jersey Wildlife Preservation Trust **12.00 The Sullivans. 12.30 Quandaries.** Quiz game
1.00 News at One with Julia Somerville **1.20 Thames news 1.30 Quincy.** The pathologist meets his mentor when the man is an expert witness in an accident insurance trial (r).
2.30 The Treatment examines the options open to women who find out they have breast cancer.
3.00 Farmhouse Kitchen. In this first of a new series Grace Mulligan is joined by Nirmal Singh who prepares a selection of Indian food **3.25 Thames news** headlines **3.30 The Young Doctors.**
4.00 Rainbow (r). **4.15 The Moomins** (r). **4.25 Who's Next.** Game show **4.35 Inspector Gadget.** Cartoon series.
5.00 Bellamy's Bugle. David Bellamy stays up through the night to look at owls **5.15 Winner Takes All.** Quiz game
5.45 News with Alastair Stewart **6.00 Thames news** followed by **Crimestoppers.**
6.25 Help with news of the Medical Foundation for victims of torture.
6.30 Connections. Quiz show
7.00 Headliners. Quiz about newspaper stories of the past, introduced by Derek Jameson. Joining Nigel Dempster and Philippa Kennedy this week are Lynsay de Paul, Stirling Moss, Honor Blackman and Rolf Harris.
7.30 Auf Wiedersehen, Pet. Comedy about a group of Geordie bricklies working in West Germany (r). (Oracle)
8.00 The Cook Report. The fearless Roger Cook investigates another story that someone would prefer to keep quiet.
8.30 Home to Roost. Comedy series starring John Thaw and Reece Dinsdale (r). (Oracle)
9.00 Menace Unseen. The first of a three-part thriller to be shown on consecutive nights starring Ian Ogilvy and Judi Bowker. Duncan Free, a computer consultant, is shaken by the death of a colleague. His own life is threatened when he starts to investigate the mystery. (Oracle)
10.00 A Party Political Broadcast on behalf of the Labour Party.
10.05 News with Alastair Burnet and Sandy Gall **10.35 Thames news.**
10.40 First Tuesday (see Choice).
11.40 Film: Perfect Friday (1970) starring Ursula Andress, Stanley Baker and David Warner. Bank robbery drama involving a free-spending couple and a bank manager. Directed by Peter Hall
1.30 Worlds Beyond. A tale of the supernatural.
2.00 News headlines followed by **Film: Codename Wildgeese** (1984) starring Lewis Collins, Lee Van Cleef and Ernest Borgnine. Drama about a mercenary who is hired to destroy a large opium depot deep in the Thai jungle. Directed by Anthony M. Dawson
4.00 News headlines followed by **Three's Company.** Comedy.
4.30 Nashville Swing featuring Tom T. Hall and Merle Travis.
5.00 ITN Morning News. Ends **6.00.**

CHANNEL 4

9.30 Schools: encouraging wildlife to return to the farmlands **9.47** Junior maths — circles **10.04** Episode two of *Rose*, by Jan Mark **10.21** Learning for infants **10.43** Changing relationships as families experience bereavement and remarriage **11.05** Children with handicaps **11.22** Keeping houses and bodies warm or cool **11.41** History in a parish church.
12.00 Sesame Street. Pre-school series for children. The guest is James Taylor.
12.30 Business Daily. Financial and business news service presented by Susannah Simons.
1.00 Autocare. The second in an Open College series about looking after one's car (r). (Oracle)
1.30 It's a Deal. Series for those starting or thinking about a career in sales (r). (Oracle)
2.00 The Parliament Programme. Baroness Blatch, Lord McIntosh of Haringey and Lord Hooson answer questions on the Poll Tax from an invited audience in a House of Lords committee room.
2.30 Film: Above Suspicion (1943, b/w) starring Joan Crawford and Fred MacMurray. Thriller about a honeymoon couple who are persuaded by British intelligence to go on a dangerous spying mission in Germany in 1939. Directed by Richard Thorpe.
4.10 Film: An Ache in Every Stake (1941, b/w) starring the Three Stooges as ice salesmen who help a lady who has been deserted by her servants. Directed by Del Lord.
4.30 Countdown. Yesterday's winner is challenged by Doug Workman, a London hospital porter.
5.00 Bewitched. Vintage American comedy series
5.30 Glorious Colour. The first of a new five-part series presented by American painter and designer Kaffe Fassett in which he shows how his techniques can be adapted to design almost any kind of knitwear. (Oracle)
6.00 Rollerskating. The 1987 World Artistic Championships from Auckland, New Zealand.
7.00 Channel 4 News with Peter Sissons and Anne Perkins.
7.50 Comment and **Weather.**



Joan Crawford: the honeymooner involved in espionage (C4, 2.30pm)

8.00 Brookside. At the Club, Kathy and Sheila are chatted up and are followed home by the two men. Over at the Collins' Paul discovers Gordon and Christopher sleeping together. (Oracle)
8.30 Moneyspinner from Rochdale Town Hall. Sally Hawkins sorts out some of the problems caused by the changes in the benefits system.
9.00 The Media Show. A discussion about the media of the late 1960s and early 1970s. Among those taking part are Anna Coote, John Peel, Richard Neville, Ken Loach and Rosie Boycott.
10.00 A Town Like Alice. Episode four of the six-part drama based on Nevil Shute's novel and Jean travels to the Australian outback to look for Joe while Joe is in London searching for Jean. Starring Helen Morse and Bryan Brown (r).
10.55 4 Minutes: Sister Catherine. A young nun receives a Calentine's card (r).
11.00 The Troubles. A documentary examining British involvement in Northern Ireland from 1966 to "Bloody Sunday" — 30 January 1972 (r).
12.05am A Grin Without a Cat. The second and final documentary about the revolutionary political events of the 1960s made by French film-maker Chris Marker. Ends at **1.55.**

VARIATIONS

BBC1 WALES: 5.35pm-6.00 Wales Today **6.35-7.00** News followed by Neighbours **9.40** Week In Week Out **10.10** Talking Heads **11.00-11.50** Network **12.09** Requiem for a Railway **12.30am** News and weather **SCOTLAND: 10.58am-11.00** Dotsman **6.35-7.00** Reporting Scotland **9.00-9.10** Party Political Broadcast (Labour) **NORTHERN IRELAND: 5.35pm** Today's Sport **5.40-6.00** Inside Ulster **6.35** Neighbours **6.50-7.00** News **ENGLAND: 6.35pm-7.00** Regional news magazines

BBC2 SCOTLAND: 10.25pm-10.35 A Party Political Broadcast (Labour)

ANGLIA As London except: **12.00-12.30pm** Nothing but the Best **1.20** News **1.30-2.30** Love Boat **11.40** Prisoner: Cell Block H **12.35am** Donahue **1.30** Arena's Top Ten **2.00** Return to Eden **3.00** The Forum Presents **4.00-5.00** Sth. Road.

BORDER As London except: **1.20pm** News **1.30-2.30** Love Boat **3.30-4.00** Sons and Daughters **6.00-6.30** Lookaround **11.40** Fight Night **12.30am** Close

CENTRAL As London except: **12.00noon** Home Cookery **12.05pm** Quandaries **12.35-1.00** Young Doctors **1.20** News **1.30-2.30** Crazy Like a Fox **3.30-4.00** Sons and Daughters **6.00-6.30** News **11.40** Fight Night **12.30am** Film: Island of Dr Moreau **2.25** America's Top Ten **2.55** Superstars of Wrestling **3.40** Dimension 2000 **4.30-5.00** Jobfinder '88.

CHANNEL As London except: **12.00noon** Parlour Game **12.30pm-1.00** Sullivans **1.20** News **1.30** That's Gardening! **2.00** Country Practice **2.30** Take the High Road **3.00** Quandaries **3.30-4.00** Sons and Daughters **6.00-6.30** News **11.40** Fight Night **12.30am** Paul and Mary **12.40-6.00** Jobfinder.

GRANADA As London except: **12.00-12.30pm** Cover Story **1.20** Granada Reports **1.30-2.30** Love Boat **3.30-4.00** Sons and Daughters **6.00-6.30** Granada Reports **11.40** Fight Night **12.30am** Beyond the Unknown **2.25** America's Top 10 **2.5** Sports Action **3.40** Power Hour **4.40-5.00** Jobfinder.

HTV WEST As London except: **12.00-12.30pm** Pruitts of Southampton **1.20** News **1.30-2.30** Love Boat **6.00-6.30** News **11.40** Derrick **12.45am** Close

HTV WALES As HTV West except: **6.00pm-6.30** Wales at Six.

SCOTTISH As London except: **1.20pm** News **1.30** Crazy Like a Fox **3.30-4.00** Sons and Daughters **6.00** Scotland Today **6.30** Headliners **7.00-7.30** Take the High Road **11.40** Fight Night **12.30am** Arnold Brown — Why Not? **1.00** America's Top 10 **1.30** Film. Night Staves **2.55** Sports Action **3.40** Power Hour **4.40-5.00** Jobfinder.

TSW As London except: **12.00-12.30pm** Country Practice **1.20** News **1.30-2.30** Matlock **3.30-4.00** Sons and Daughters **6.00-6.30** News **11.40** America's Top 10 **12.10am** Album **12.40** Postscript, Closedown.

TVS As London except: **12.00noon** Parlour Game **12.30pm-1.00** Sullivans **1.20** News **1.30** That's Gardening! **2.00** Country Practice **2.30** Take the High Road **3.00** Quandaries **3.30-4.00** Sons and Daughters **6.00** Coast to Coast **6.20-6.30** Police 5 **11.40** Soap **12.05am** Donahue **1.05** Film. Fright **2.45** Company. Close

TYNE TEES As London except: **1.20pm** News **1.30-2.30** Beyond 2000 **6.00-6.30** Northern Life **11.40** Fight Night **12.30am** Paul and Mary **12.40-6.00** Jobfinder.

ULSTER As London except: **1.20pm** Newsime **1.30-2.30** The Outsider **3.30-4.00** Look Who's Talking **6.00** Six Tonight **6.20-6.30** Ask Anne **11.40** Fight Night **12.30am** Newstime, Close

YORKSHIRE As London except: **12.00-12.30pm** Invitation to Remember **1.20** Highway to Heaven **3.30-4.00** Sons and Daughters **6.00-6.30** Calendar **11.40** Fight Night **12.30am** Jobfinder **1.30** Close

S4C Starts: **9.30am** Schools **12.00** Countdown **12.30pm** Business Daily **1.00** Open College **2.00** Amateur Naturalist **2.30** Low Tech **3.00** West of the Imagination **4.05** Fflabesam **4.20** Hafoc **5.00** Bewitched **5.30** Busting the Block **6.00** Brookside **6.30** The Orchestra **7.00** Newyddion Saith **7.30** Palu Mlaen **8.00** Treasure Hunt **9.05** Beethoven **9.50** Marched Abraham **10.20** Merely Mortal **11.05** Who Dares Wins **11.55** Close

RTE 1 Starts: **4.00pm** Dempsey's Den **4.30** Happy Birthday **4.35** Dlin O Deamhas **4.45** Defenders of the Earth **5.10** Zoo Logic **5.25** Video Time **5.45** News **6.00** Angelus **6.01** Newstime **6.30** Head of the Class **7.00** All at No 20 **7.30** Murder, She Wrote **8.25** Face of the Earth **9.00** News **9.30** Today Tonight **10.10** Hoopermen **10.35** Borderline **11.35** News, Close

RTE 2 Starts: **5.00pm** Emmerdale Farm **5.25** Scotland's Story **5.55** Tomorrow's World **6.30** Country Practice **7.00** Indonesia **7.30** Glenroe **8.00** Nuacht **8.10** Cursai **8.40** Sledgehammer **9.10** Cheers **9.40** Black Forest Clinic **10.30** Newsnight **10.50** Wiseguy **11.45** Nightlife. Closedown.



The Pughs (left) and the Hogans (right): two families who try trading places for a week (First Tuesday: ITV, 10.40pm)

Crossing the great north-south divide

TELEVISION CHOICE

● To put a human face on the north-south divide, First Tuesday (ITV, 10.40pm) had the bright idea of getting two families, similar in social background but divided by geography and the fact that one has a wage coming in and the other lives on the dole, to change roles for a week. The Pughs from Middlesbrough go south to Winchester and the Hogans from Winchester make for the north-east. Both husbands are welders but while Dave Pugh has been out of work for four years, Dave Hogan has a steady job in an area where unemployment is virtually unknown. The Hogans have a modern town house, a new car and an income, with overtime, of £15,000 a year. The Pughs live in a council house, have no car and live on £52 a week. Interestingly, though they still consider themselves working class, the prosperous Hogans support Mrs Thatcher. But Dave Pugh says: "I'll still vote Labour — we won't bow down". Dave Pugh takes over Dave Hogan's job in Winchester and working again makes him a new man. There is even steak in the canteen. Meanwhile the Hogans tramp the streets of Middlesbrough, looking for cheap cuts at the butcher to keep themselves within the Pugh's weekly budget. For the Hogans the exercise is artificial, since, as they say, anyone can scrimp and save for a week. But the sojourn in the north-east does soften their Thatcherite stance and make them more compassionate towards families on the dole. For the Pughs the experience is more profound. They know there are many jobs in the south but they only have to look in estate agents's windows to know they cannot afford the houses. Having briefly tasted the joy of work and a regular wage, they must return to a life without hope.

Peter Waymark

National notions

RADIO CHOICE

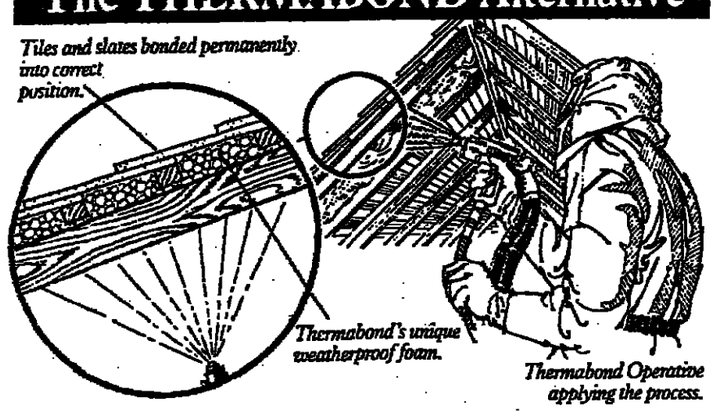
● Playwright Arthur Miller and theatre critic Clive Barnes — and what strange bedfellows they make! — are the only expert witnesses in Christopher Bigsby's investigative documentary The Myth of an American National Theatre (Radio 4, 8.30pm) who put up a strong case for such an undertaking. Miller says that if there had been a national theatre, he would have been encouraged to write many more plays. Could there have been a more powerful incentive than that? Barnes blames his fellow New York critics for stamping on whatever hope there might have been for adapting the city's Lincoln Center as a permanent home for the nation's theatre. Whenever a classic attempt was attempted, the butchers of Broadway would damn it for the wrong reasons. If it was a Molière play, the verdict would be: "Good God! This isn't as good as the Comédie Française." And as for Broadway's claim to be considered the natural home for a national theatre, the documentary can drum up little support for the idea. Critic Michael Finegold swings his cannon round to point across the Atlantic when he says that Broadway is composed of large, ugly, tiresome British technological extravaganzas posing as musicals — "mutants in a science fiction movie". Bigsby's realistic conclusion is that the energy of American theatre can probably never be contained in a single building, nor its sheer diversity represented in a single company.



Arthur Miller: called as an expert witness (R4, 8.30pm)

Peter Davalle

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News on the half-hour from **6.30am** until **8.30pm**, then at **10.00** and **12.00** midnight **5.30** Adrian John **7.00** Mike Smith's Breakfast Show **9.30** Simon Bates **12.30** Newsbeat (Frank Partridge) **12.45** Gary Davies **3.00** Steve Wright **5.30** Newsbeat **5.45** Bruno Brookes **7.30** Simon Mayo **10.00-12.00** John Peel **VHF** Stereo Radios 1 and 2: **4.00am** As Radio 2 **10.00pm** As Radio 1 **12.00-4.00am** As Radio 2

Radio 2

MW (medium wave) Stereo on VHF (see Radio 1)
4.00 Colin Berry **5.30** Chris Stuart **7.30** Derek Jameson **9.30** Ken Bruce **11.00** Pattie Coldwell **1.05** David Jacobs **2.05** Gloria Hunniford **3.30** Adrian Love **5.05** John Dunn **7.00** Robert Parker's A to Z of Jazz **7.35** Radio Orchestra Show (Steve Race) **9.00** Say it with Music **10.00** Another Digance Indulgence **10.30** Back to Square One **11.00** Round Midnight **1.00** Nightride **3.00-4.00** A Little Night Music

WORLD SERVICE

All times in GMT. Add an hour for BST. **6.00** Newsdesk **6.30** Counterpoint **7.00** World News **7.08** 24 Hours **7.30** Journey Round My People **7.45** Network UK **8.00** World News **8.09** Reflections **8.15** Tech Talk **8.30** The Jesuits **9.00** World News **9.09** Review of the British Press **9.15** The World Today **9.30** Financial News **9.45** Seven Ages of Man **10.00** News Summary **10.01** Discovery **10.30** Londres Mida **11.00** World News **11.09** News About Britain **11.15** Waveguide **11.25** A Letter From Scotland **11.30** Citizens **12.00** Radio Newsreel **12.15** Multitrack **12.45** Sports Roundup **1.00** World News **1.09** 24 Hours **1.30** Network UK **1.45** Recording of the Week **2.00** Outlook **2.45** Rhythms of the Sun **3.00** Radio Newsreel **3.15** A Jolly Good Show **4.00** World News **4.09** Commentary **4.15** English by Radio **4.45** Londres Soir **5.30** Reute Aktuell **6.00** Programmes in German **7.00** Outlook **7.30** Stock Market Report **7.45** Report on Religion **8.00** World News **8.09** 24 Hours **8.30** Meridian **9.00** News Summary **9.01** Time for Verse **9.10** Turning Over New Leaves **9.15** Can Communism Cope? **9.45** Andy Kershaw's World of Music **10.00** World News **10.09** World Today **10.25** A Letter from Scotland **10.30** Financial News **10.40** Reflections **10.45** Sports Roundup **11.00** World News **11.09** Commentary **11.15** Concert Hall **12.00** World News **12.09** News About Britain **12.15** Radio Newsreel **12.30** Omnibus **1.00** News Summary **1.01** Outlook **1.30** Report on Religion **1.45** Country Style **2.00** World News **2.09** Review of the British Press **2.15** Big Bands — The Singers **2.30** Citizens **3.00** World News **3.09** News About Britain **3.15** The World Today **3.30** Six Four Eight News **3.35** Financial News **3.45** Morgenmagazin **4.45** The World Today **5.00** World News and **24** Hours **5.30** Londres Matin

Radio 3

6.55 Weather. News headlines
7.00 Morning Concert: Handel (Sinfonia Samson: English Concert under Pinnock); Elgar (May Song: Peter Pettinger, piano); Purcell (Suite Bonduca: Parley of Instruments under Holman)
7.30 News **7.35** Concert contd: Mendelssohn (Piano Concerto No 2 in D minor: Academy of St Martin-in-the-Fields under Marriner, with Murray Perahia); Telemann (Concerto in B flat, for three oboes: Musica Antiqua Cologne under Goebel); Chausson (Poème: RPO under Dutoit with Kyung Wha Chung, violin)
8.30 News **8.35** Composers of the Week: Karl Goldmark. Scherzo in A by Sydney SO under Lanchbery; String Quartet in B flat by Delmé String Quartet; and a Byron Hebrew Melody sung by Anthony Roden
9.25 Handel: L'Ecole d'Orphée with Philip Pickett play the recorder sonatas in D minor and B flat; plus a trio from Handel's 1739 publication
10.00 Tribute to Sir William Glock on his 80th Birthday: including specially commissioned works by his favourite composers played by the London Sinfonietta under Elgar Howarth
10.05 Hugh Wood: Comus quadrilles
10.10 Presented Recital: Sir William talks about and plays some Haydn piano trios (r)
11.05 Francis Burt: For William
11.10 Vlado Perlemuter Plays Chopin: Three Mazurkas, two Nocturnes, and two Etudes (r)
11.55 Jonn Woolrich: Dartington Doubles
12.00 Handel: Recording Monteverdi Choir and Orchestra under Gardiner of Israel in Egypt, Part 2 (Moses's Song)
1.00 News **1.05** Lunchtime Concert: Sylvia Rosenberg, violin, and Lamar Crowson, piano, play Stravinsky's Duo concertant; and Beethoven's Sonata in G, Op 96
2.00 Roberto Gerhard: Jennifer Vyvyan, soprano, and Glock, piano, play Three Impromptus, and Six Catalan Songs (r) **2.15** Sir William pays tribute to Roberto Gerhard (r) **2.20** BBC SO under Dorati play Symphony No 1
3.00 Artur Schnabel: The pianist's recordings of Mozart's Rondo in A minor (K 511); and Schubert's Sonata in B flat (D 960)



Sir William Glock: all-day 80th birthday celebrations

3.55 Robert Saxton: Birthday Music for Sir William Glock
4.00 20th-Century Classics: Stravinsky (Ballet Agon: Los Angeles Festival Orchestra under the composer); Schoenberg (Herzgewächse, Op 20: London Sinfonietta under Atherton); Bartok (Music for Strings, Percussion and Celesta: Chicago SO under Reiner); Debussy (Ibena (Images): Cleveland Orchestra under Boulez)
5.20 Simon Holt: Duendecitos by Ian Brown, piano; and Peter Maxwell Davies: Mishkenot
5.30 Mozart and Brahms: Mozart (Quartet in E flat (K 493): Lindsay Quartet with Glock, piano); Brahms (Variations on an Original Theme, Op 21 No 1: André Tchaikowsky, piano); Mozart (Quintet in C (K 515) Amadeus Quartet with Cecil Aronowitz, viola)
7.00 News
7.05 Third Ear: Nicholas Kenyon talks to Pierre Boulez, Sir Peter Maxwell Davies and David Drew
7.30 Invitation Concert: Nash Ensemble under Masson perform Bruno Maderna's Serenata no 2 and Elliott Carter's Penthode **8.10** Sir William Glock talks about his musical activities **8.30** Ragian Baroque under Kraemer perform Bach's The Musical Offering
9.20 Originality and Influence: Hans Keller's 1971 Aldeburgh Festival talk (r)
9.50 BBC Symphony Orchestra: Boulez conducts Boulez's *La Visage nuptial*, Parts 1, 2, 4, and 5; Messiaen's Chronochromie; and Schoenberg's Variations for Orchestra, Op 31 (r)
11.00 Composers of the Week: Haydn. (r) **12.00** News
12.05 Wolf 88: Agnes performed by Felicity Lott, soprano, with Graham Johnson, piano (r) **12.10** Closedown

Radio 4

LW (long wave) (s) Stereo on VHF
5.55 Shipping Forecast **6.00** News Briefing, Weather **6.10** Farming Today **6.25** Prayer for the Day (s)
6.30 Today presented by Brian Redhead and John Humphrys incl **6.30, 7/30, 8.30** News Summary **6.45** Business News **6.55, 7.55** Weather **7.00, 8.00** News **7.20** Your Letters **7.25, 8.25** Sport **7.45** Thought for the Day
8.42 Two Stories by P.G. Wodehouse read by John Hollis (2) The Mixer Moves in Society **8.57** Weather: Travel
9.00 News
9.05 Call Nick Ross: The subject under discussion is freemasonry. With guest Commander M Higham, Grand Secretary of the United Grand Lodge. Call 01-580 4411 to participate
10.00 News; Medicine Now: Geoff Watts visits one of the world's top research organizations, the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center in Dallas
10.30 Morning Story: The Pillbox by Penelope Lively. Read by Brian Gear
10.45 Daily Service (s)
11.00 News; Travel; Citizens
11.25 From Our Own Correspondent
11.50 Tales From a Palm Court: by Ronnie Knox-Mawer. Stories of an English circuit judge in British Arabia. Read by Ian Carmichael
12.00 News; You and Yours with Trevor Barnes
12.25 My Music: Steve Race chairs the musical panel game with John Amis, Frank Muir, Ian Wallace and Denis Norden (s) (r) **12.55** Weather
1.00 The World at One
1.40 The Archers (r) **1.55** Shipping Forecast
2.00 News: Woman's Hour: Presented by Jenni Murray Includes first episode of a six-part serial, *All the Best, Kim*, written and read by Carole Hayman
3.00 News. Picaro. Play by Neil Tidmarsh about a young pavement artist in Barcelona. With Richard Pearce and Michael Tudor Barnes (s)
3.32 Comparing Notes: Richard Baker in conversation with veteran concert pianist Shura Cherkassky (s)
4.00 News
4.05 In Business: Examines business ethics. Presented by David Lomax, with guests Sir Geoffrey Chandler of Industry Matters, Peter Walker of Pielle Public Relations, Clive Jenkins of ASTMS, and Neville Cooper of the Institute of Business Ethics
4.30 Kaleidoscope (r)
5.00 PM **5.50** Shipping Forecast **5.55** Weather
6.00 News: Financial Report
6.30 Jarvis's Frayn: Martin Jarvis in Michael Frayn's series of unguarded observations (s) (r)
7.00 News
7.05 The Archers
7.20 File on 4: Can trade unions survive the onslaught of Mrs Thatcher's "enterprise culture"? Presented by Felicity Goodey
8.00 Revolutions in Sound: Robin Ray celebrates 100 years of the gramophone (s) (r)
8.30 The Myth of an American National Theatre: Christopher Bigsby explores the reasons why American theatre has not produced a major company like the Royal Shakespeare (see Choice) (r)
9.15 In Touch: A magazine for the visually handicapped. Presented by Peter White
9.45 Kaleidoscope: Includes an item on Francis King's book *The Woman Who Was God*, and a review of two plays at Straford-upon-Avon — the restoration comedy *The Plain Dealer* at the Swan Theatre and *Across Oka* at The Other Place. Plus a feature on fringe theatre — what will happen to it as a result of the cuts?
10.15 A Book at Bedtime: God's Snake by Inni Spanidou. Read by Paola Dionisotti (7 of 10) **10.28** Weather
10.30 The World Tonight
11.15 The Financial World Tonight
11.30 Today in Parliament
12.00 News **12.20** Weather **12.33** Shipping Forecast

VHF As above except:
11.00am-12.00 For Schools
11.00 Time and Tune **11.20** Time to Move **11.40** Pictures in Your Mind (stones) **1.55-3.00pm** For Schools, **1.55** Listening Corner **2.05** Health Education: My Body **2.25** Mainstream GCSE (s) **5.50-5.55** PM (continued) **11.30** Open University: The Manpower Services Commission **12.10am** Music Interlude **12.30-1.10** Schools Night-Time.

FREQUENCIES: Radio 1: 1053kHz/285m;1089kHz/275m;VHF-88-90.2. Radio 2: 693kHz/433m;909kHz/330m;VHF-88-90.2. Radio 3: 1215kHz/247m; VHF-90-92.5. Radio 4: 198kHz/1515m;VHF-92-95. LBC: 1152kHz/261m;VHF 97.3. Capital: 1548kHz/194m;VHF95.8. BBC Radio London: 1458kHz/206m;VHF 94.9; World Service: MF648kHz/463m.

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Hard shoulder deadliest area on motorways

By Daniel Ward, Motor Industry Correspondent

More than a third of all fatal accidents on motorways occur on the hard shoulder, senior police officers have disclosed.

They have also warned drivers that statistically it is more dangerous to be on the hard shoulder than on the motorway, although motorists are unaware of these dangers.

Police are alarmed that illegal use of the hard-shoulder is increasing as thoughtless motorists seek to pass queuing traffic. Such vehicles are regularly preventing emergency services from getting to accidents quickly, police claim.

Superintendent Brian Berry, head of Warwickshire police traffic department, said:"I feel extremely savage about this. People are dying at the scene of the accident and we cannot get the emergency services through."

Other police officers responsible for patrolling motorways agreed this had become a daily problem for emergency services.

Unnecessary use of the hard-shoulder is an offence with a £24 fixed penalty and three penalty points on the driver's licence .

"There are more accidents on the hard-shoulder than on the motorway carriageway," said Inspector Cliff Travis whose responsibilities include the M25, M3 and M4 motorways.

An accident on the hard-shoulder is more likely to be serious because one vehicle is stationary. Only experienced police officers are able to highlight the dangers of the hand-shoulder because the nature of motorway accidents is not identified in official statistics. Each year 250 people lose their lives on Britain's motorways.

Superintendent Berry said that a vehicle only has to stray slightly from the nearside lane on to the hard-shoulder and a collision with a stranded vehicle was likely.

Superintendent Berry said:"People see the hard-shoulder as a safe place to stop but it is not and the public fail to realize this. The hard-shoulder is a frightening place to be."

It is not unknown for motorists to stop on the hard-shoulder for a picnic or simply to read a map.

The Government has recognized the dangers. In its recently published proposals for improved motorway safety, the Department of Transport stated:"Work is in hand to improve delineation between lanes by using raised ribbed edge lines to alert drivers drifting on to the hard shoulder."

● **Blackspot warning:** A notorious Surrey accident blackspot, on the A29 in Ockley, near Dorking, is to have flashing signs installed warning drivers to slow down.

Specialist dies in holiday car crash

Continued from page 1

including the skipper, Mr Bob Fisher, the programme's technical adviser, clambered out of the 45-ft sloop as the tide went out. Bembridge lifeboat placed a rope around the craft but it sank while being towed to Bembridge Harbour.

A five-mile queue built up of motorists aiming for the Metro shopping centre in Gateshead in addition to the more seasoned jams outside the Chessington World of Adventure, in Surrey, Windsor Safari Park and Leeds Castle, in Kent. The Garden Festival in Glasgow also attracted large crowds.

Most parts of Britain were cloudy and showery throughout the day, although temperatures were slightly above average in some places. North Wales and the area around The Wash on the east coast were the warmest at around 63F.

A woman fell walker, Mrs Beatrice Kilby, aged 37, was still in hospital last night after being injured by lightning which killed her husband, Mr Keiron Kilby, aged 40, while walking on Great Rigg near Ambleside, in the Lake District.

A second fell walker who was killed by lightning in a separate incident was named yesterday as Mr Gijsbert Debaat, aged 36, an engineer of Bursary Cottages, Woodham, Essex. Mr Debaat was walking with a group on Catstye Cam, near Hellvellyn, at the time.

Dr Colin Davis, aged 56, died after falling about 100 ft down a cliff face while taking part in "Boots Across Scotland", held to raise money for a badly injured climber. He was accompanied by his two sons, Andrew, aged 16, and Robert, aged 15, while descending from the summit of Ben Tulaichean. Dr Davis, a university lecturer, of Manse Road, Newmains, Lanarkshire, lost his footing on snow.

A luxury 200 ft motor yacht, the Welsh Falcon, with 14 people on board was last night fighting its way through a gale towards Falmouth, Cornwall, after springing a leak 100 miles south of the Isles of Scilly.

Residents of the village of Dersingham, in west Norfolk, yesterday protested over the decision by Mr Nicholas Ridley, Secretary of State for the Environment, to revoke planning permission on the by-pass which will cut through a bog and disturb a rare moth.

Villagers have campaigned for 25 years to rid their narrow village road of heavy traffic. The Nature Conservancy Council says the moth, *Choristoneura Lafauryana*, makes the bog of national importance.

Rivals relax during French election battle lull



President Mitterrand in the vast grounds of the Elysée Palace, gathering strength from nature for his election battle.



M Jaques Chirac, the Prime Minister, relaxing in the sunshine with his family. (Photographs: Stephen Markeson)

Off duty: France's two presidential candidates found time over the weekend to relax and gather their thoughts for the final week of the campaign.

President Mitterrand, a keen gardener, spent time in the grounds of the Elysée Palace. "I walk around these gardens to relax," he said. "I make all the decisions about the planning of this garden.

"I like to read a lot in my private flat. I also like to listen to music and meet my friends."

"To tell you the truth, I am very rarely away from my office and work, but I ramble about in Paris every day for about three-quarters of an hour and look in the bookshops. Sometimes I might even buy a tie. I like window shopping and also love to watch people walking by."

Over in the Hotel de Ville his opponent, M Jacques Chirac, the Prime Minister, has a private family residence. M Chirac, also, was relaxing in his garden, with his wife, Bernadette, one of their two children, Claude, aged 25, and two of their three dogs.

"I don't seem to have much free time," he said. "When I do get some I like to walk in Paris, and I also like to walk in the country, especially in the forests where I come from in central France." M Chirac, aged 55, said he enjoyed swimming and gymnastics.

Chirac pins hope on 15-city tour

From Philip Jacobson, Paris

As M Jacques Chirac sets out from Paris for a final, whirlwind burst of campaigning that will take him to 15 cities by Friday, aides of the Prime Minister are putting a brave face on his failure to secure anything but the most grudging endorsement from M Jean-Marie Le Pen.

While most agree, in private at least, that their man is on the ropes and can only hope to limit the margin of his defeat by President Mitterrand in next Sunday's run-off, the fallout from the National Front's big "Joan of Arc" rally on May Day is not regarded as totally deadly.

A warm recommendation from M Le Pen would, they argue, have horrified large numbers of M Chirac's potential supporters in the political centre.

The National Front leader's wounding assessment of M Chirac as the lesser of two evils, supportable only as the alternative to another term of socialism under M Mitterrand, was at least preferable to a call for mass abstention.

Even so, the electoral arithmetic has never looked so bleak for the Chirac camp.

If the polls taken before M Le Pen's declaration were right, more than half his supporters had intended to back the Prime Minister in the second round, while a third would have opted for M Mitterrand. The rest are likely to stay at home.

Throw in the estimated one-fifth of the 16.7 per cent who initially voted for the centre-right candidate, M Raymond Barre, and would back M Mitterrand on May 8, and there seems precious little hope for the man who campaigned himself into the ground to get through the opening round. To judge by the startling rejection M Chirac encountered then, his frantic whistle-stop tour of France may turn out to be equally counter-productive.

With a thumping defeat now staring them in the face, where does this leave the mainstream of the French right? "Chasing me," would be M Le Pen's answer as he slyly observed during his oration on Sunday, some National Front voters may decide to wait until the last minute before making their decision on May 8 in order to see whether the Chirac camp intends to respond to their "legitimate aspirations".

Since it is hardly a secret what the average National Front supporter aspires to politically, this amounted to an unsubtle invitation for M Chirac to come up with suitably appealing goods.

As M Le Pen is aware, the right wing of the Prime Minister's RPR party is eager to make just such overtures.

Moscow call for purge of 'spineless' officials

From A Corespondent, Moscow

A letter published by *Pravda* yesterday made a strong appeal for renewal, saying that the 19 million-strong Communist Party should be purged of the spineless careerists who had run the country for the past 70 years.

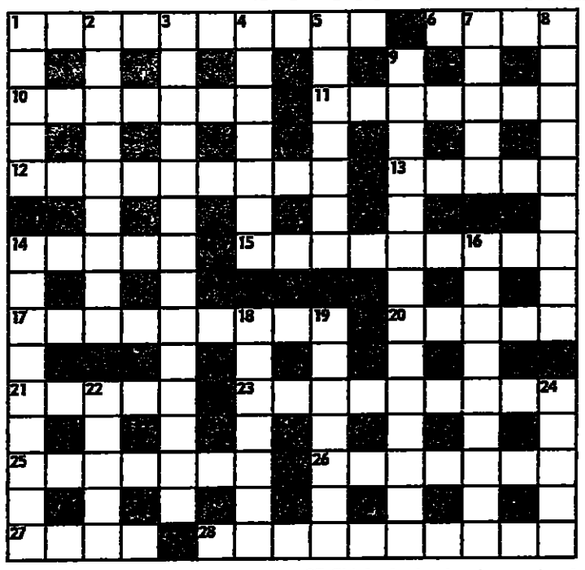
The front page letter, from an official of the Aviation Industry Ministry, also, for the first time, attacked the traditional notion that the party General Secretary was infallible, hinting that Mr Mikhail Gorbachov should not be above criticism.

The ideas to reinvigorate the party proposed by Mr V. Selivanov, a deputy head of administration of the aircraft industry, reflected those held by supporters of Mr Gorbachov's reform programme. Mr Selivanov's proposals come two months before a key party conference which will assess the progress of the Gorbachov reforms.

Mr Selivanov said that the "key problem" was the democratization of society. He argued that for this to occur the party had to become more democratic But the party had evolved in such a way that members had a "triple standard", comprising what they said at meetings, what they thought, and what they did.

Among the measures proposed by Mr Selivanov for greater party democracy were promoting non-party members to leading posts and a secret ballot.

THE TIMES CROSSWORD PUZZLE NO 17,659



ACROSS

1 Support for a French line of chocolate biscuits? (10).
6 It shows the pitch is almost fissured (4).
10 This midshipman is more senior (7).
11 A submarine commander points to the plant (7).
12 People desperately tired before end of shift cause harm (9).
13 Loses order and valuable deposit (5).
14 Soldiers in France return in muddle (5).
15 Shilly-shally, giving answers that are poles apart (3,3,3).
17 Staff at wine cellar is for the high jump (4,5).
20 It is wheeled under a railway vehicle (5).
21 It used to have a divine circulation (5).
23 About the first of March, the Prince of Darkness becomes a good man (9).
25 Cry of surprise by small boy, say, with a muscular pain (7).
26 Jealous bird stands over unfinished insect (7).
27 Ship's back showing national emblem (4).
28 Land she can distribute, having clear conscience (5,5).

DOWN

1 The sort of sports in which an aristocratic rowdy appears (5).
2 Showing disrespect, unlike Frederic the apprentice (9).
3 It shows how striker is doing in state time (7,7).
4 Foster goes on train to children's home (7).
5 Part of Bangladesh, as translated from the Hindu writings (7).
7 Anita, blonde at last, is free (5).
8 Swimming race for the open title (4-5).
9 A future overspill town in Northants? (14).
14 Psalm a bit unorthodox for such a religious rite (9).
16 "Wash your hands, put on your ——— ——" (*Macbeth*) (5-4).
18 Sort out a Continental muddle (7).
19 The sort of paint to harden on an article (7).
22 Governor to welcome swell (5).
24 One ship blowing up its hooters (5).

Concise crossword, page 14

WORD-WATCHING

A daily safari through the language jungle. Which of the possible definitions is correct?

HOLY MOSES
By Philip Howard

BIBLIANDER
a. A Biblical glossary
b. A German lectern
c. A rigid theologian

CELEBRET
a. The infula of a mitre
b. Licence to say Mass
c. A communion wafer

HROSVIT
a. A nun poetess
b. A Mozarabic rite
c. A Hungarian heretic

CIRCUMCELLIONES
a. Beating the bounds
b. Violent fanatics
c. Bishop's gaiters

Answers on page 22, column 1

Solution to Puzzle No 17,658

M	A	P	L	E	S	■	S	T	A	N	D	A	R	D
A	■	A	■	R	■	S	O	■	E	■	D	■	R	■
R	A	N	S	A	C	K	■	R	E	S	T	O	R	E
G	■	A	■	D	■	Y	M	■	T	■	R	■	A	■
A	R	C	H	I	M	E	D	E	S	■	F	I	R	M
R	■	H	■	C	■	■	N	■	M	■	N	■	■	■
I	R	E	L	A	N	D	■	T	R	I	G	G	E	R
N	■	■	■	T	■	I	O	■	N	■	■	■	E	■
E	N	D	L	E	S	S	■	R	O	U	N	D	U	P
■	■	O	■	O	■	C	■	■	T	■	E	■	E	■
P	A	C	E	■	J	O	U	R	N	E	Y	M	A	N
A	■	K	■	M	■	U	■	O	■	H	■	E	■	T
S	T	A	T	I	O	N	■	S	W	A	N	S	E	A
T	■	G	■	E	■	T	■	E	■	N	■	N	■	N
E	V	E	N	N	E	S	S	■	A	D	V	E	N	T

WEATHER

All areas will have showers or longer periods of rain, with some sunshine in places. Northern and north-west Scotland and the northern isles will be mostly cloudy with persistent light and a fresh north-east wind. Elsewhere, it will be reasonably warm in spite of cloud and some showers, heavy in places. Local thunder and hail is expected. Outlook: Continuing unsettled with showers or longer spells of rain.

ABROAD

MIDDAY: t=thunder; d=drizzle; fg=fog; s=sun; sl=sleet; sn=snow; f=fair; c=cloud; r=rain

	C	F			C	F	
Ajaccio	26	79	s	Madrid	11	52	c
Alex'dria	21	70	f	Majorca	21	70	f
Algiers	23	73	s	Malta	20	68	f
Amst'dm	17	63	f	Melb'rne	19	66	s
Athens	19	66	s	Mexico C*	23	73	s
Bahrain	38	100	s	Miami*	21	70	r
Barbados*	31	88	f	Milan	18	64	f
Barcelna	18	64	f	Montreal*	9	48	c
Belgrade	22	72	s	Moscow	19	66	s
Berlin	21	70	c	Munich	19	66	f
Bermuda*	23	73	f	Naples	20	68	s
Biarritz	17	63	f	N Delhi	36	97	s
Borde'x	19	66	f	N York*	13	55	c
Brussels	18	64	s	Oslo	13	55	f
Budapst	21	70	s	Paris	15	59	f
Cairo	29	84	s	Peking	16	61	c
Chicago*	21	70	s	Prague	21	70	s
Ch'church	10	50	c	Reykjvk	5	41	r
C'phagn	13	55	f	Rhodes	19	66	s
Corfu	19	66	s	Rio de J	25	77	s
Dublin	11	52	c	Riyadh	40	104	s
Dubrovnik	17	63	s	Rome	19	66	f
Florence	21	70	f	Salzburg	23	73	c
Frankfurt	13	55	r	Santiago*	22	72	s
Funchal	20	68	c	Seoul	21	70	s
Geneva	16	61	s	St'kholm	16	61	s
Gibraltar	19	66	f	Strasb'rg	13	55	r
Helsinki	14	57	s	Tangier	20	68	s
Hong K	27	81	r	Tel aviv	21	70	s
Innsbruck	19	66	f	Tenerife	21	70	c
Istanbul	14	57	f	Tokyo	26	79	f
Jeddah	33	91	s	Toronto*	17	63	s
Karachi	33	91	s	Venice	17	63	c
L Palmas	22	72	f	Vienna	23	73	s
Lisbon	16	61	f	Warsaw	23	73	s
Locarno	11	52	r	Wash'ton*	19	66	f
L Angels*	19	66	s	Wel'nton	12	54	f
Luxembg	13	55	c	Zurich	18	64	s

* denotes Sunday's figures are latest available

AROUND BRITAIN

	Sun hrs	Rain in	Max C	Max F	
Scarboro	0.5	.04	11	52	dull
Bridlington	0.4	.09	10	50	shower
Lowestoft	2.1	.03	10	50	rain
Clacton	2.5	.07	12	54	bright
Southend	*	.10	15	59	cloudy
Folkestone	2.3	.15	13	55	bright
Hastings	3.5	.21	12	54	shower
Brighton	2.3	.39	12	54	shower
Worthing	4.5	.38	13	55	shower
Littlehmptn	4.9	.45	13	55	rain
Bognor R	4.5	.48	11	52	shower
Southsea	4.8	.25	13	55	cloudy
Shanklin	5.0	.36	13	55	shower
Poole	6.3	.36	14	57	shower
Weymouth	7.2	.37	14	57	shower
Exmouth	7.4	.25	13	55	sunny
Teignmouth	9.3	.25	13	55	sunny
Torquay	9.1	.29	13	55	sunny
Falmouth	4.5	.15	11	52	shower
Scilly Isles	7.2	.02	14	57	shower
Jersey	7.7	.19	16	61	shower
Guernsey	5.7	.13	14	57	bright
Newquay	7.5	.15	14	57	shower
Minehead	6.6	.45	15	59	shower
Morecambe	5.5	.26	17	63	thundr
Douglas	*	.25	13	55	shower
Bristol (Cnt)	8.1	.28	15	59	shower
Carlisle	2.8	.17	15	59	thundr
N'cstl-n-Tyne	0.3	.14	12	54	shower
Anglesey	7.8	.10	17	63	shower
Colwyn Bay	8.7	.13	16	61	shower
Tenby	6.4	.17	13	55	sunny
Aberdeen	*	.31	8	46	rain
Eskdalemuir	2.7	.35	13	55	thundr
Kinloss	*	.23	7	45	rain
Prestwick	4.8	.15	16	61	rain
Stornoway	1.0	.09	7	45	rain
Wick	1.3	.17	7	45	rain

* Denotes figures not available

HIGH TIDES

TODAY	AM	HT	PM	HT
London Bridge	3.20	6.8	3.42	7.0
Aberdeen	2.51	4.0	3.04	4.0
Avonmouth	8.51	12.7	9.11	12.5
Belfast	12.18	3.1	12.39	3.2
Cardiff	8.36	11.8	8.56	11.7
Devonport	7.36	5.1	7.54	5.2
Dover	12.18	6.9	12.37	6.8
Falmouth	7.08	4.9	7.24	5.0
Glasgow	2.20	4.3	2.24	4.6
Harwich	1.18	3.9	1.39	3.9
Holyhead	11.55	5.3	——	——
Hull	7.56	7.1	8.13	7.1
Ilfracombe	7.34	8.8	7.53	8.9
Leith	4.01	5.3	4.23	5.4
Liverpool	12.38	9.1	12.53	9.1
Lowestoft	11.13	2.3	11.24	2.4
Margate	1.19	4.6	1.45	4.6
Milford Haven	7.48	6.8	8.08	6.9
Newquay	6.38	6.8	6.56	6.9
Oban	7.10	3.9	7.36	3.9
Penzance	6.33	5.2	6.53	5.3
Portland	8.34	2.0	9.02	2.0
Portsmouth	12.46	4.5	1.08	4.4
Shoreham	12.31	6.0	12.52	5.9
Southampton	12.17	4.5	12.36	4.3
Swansea	7.56	9.2	8.13	9.3
Tees	5.12	5.2	5.28	5.2
Whitn-on-Nze	1.12	4.1	1.32	4.1

Tide measured in metres: 1m=3.28ft. Times are BST

THE POUND

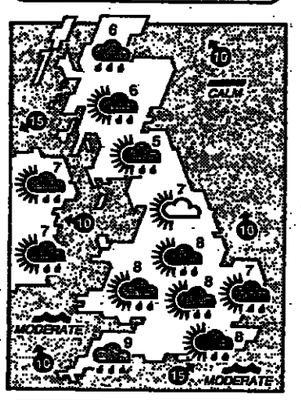
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Australia $	2.565	2.435
Austria Sch	22.90	21.80
Belgium Fr	68.55	65.15
Canada $	2.405	2.285
Denmark Kr	12.54	11.94
Finland Mkk	7.69	7.43
France Fr	11.07	10.53
Germany Dm	3.244	3.095
Greece Dr	253	243
Hong Kong $	15.17	14.42
Ireland Pt	1.223	1.163
Italy Lira	2410	2300
Japan Yen	244.75	232.75
Netherlands Gld	3.54	3.47
Norway Kr	12.03	11.43
Portugal Esc	295	282
South Africa Rd	4.70	4.30
Spain Pta	214.75	203.75
Sweden Kr	11.44	10.89
Switzerland Fr	2.708	2.578
USA $	1.95	1.87
Yugoslavia Dnr	3270	2870

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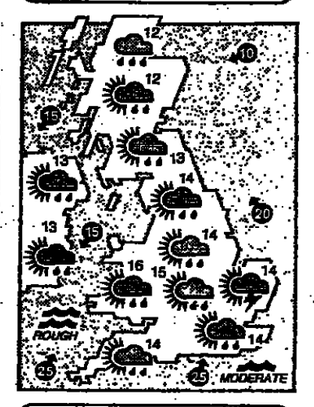
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London: The *FT* index closed down 0.8 at 1443.9 .

AM



PM



LONDON

Yesterday: Temp: max 6 am to 6 pm, 15C (59F); min 6 pm to 6 am,10C (50F) Humidity: 6 pm, 53 per cent. Rain: 24hr to 6 pm, trace. Sun: 24 hr to 6 pm, 6.4 hr. Bar, mean sea level, 6 pm, 998.1 millibars, rising.
1,000 millibars=29.53in.

MANCHESTER

Yesterday: Temp: max 6am to 6pm, 16C (61F); min 6pm to 6am, 8C (46F). Rain: 24hr to 6pm, 0.11in. Sun: 24hr to 6pm, 2.7hr.

LIGHTING-UP TIME

London 8.57 pm to 4.57 am
Bristol 9.07 pm to 5.07 am
Edinburgh 9.26 pm to 4.52 am
Manchester 9.13 pm to 4.58 am
Penzance 9.15 pm to 5.23 am

HIGHEST & LOWEST

Sunday: Highest day temp: Morecambe, Lancashire, 17C (63F); lowest day max: Lerwick, Shetland, 2C (36F); highest rainfall: Camborne, Cornwall, and Southampton Weather Centre, 0.51in; highest sunshine: Teignmouth, Devon, 9.3hr.

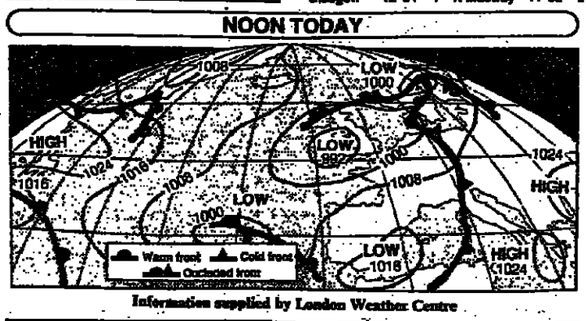
YESTERDAY

Temperatures at midday yesterday: c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun.

	C	F			C	F	
Belfast	11	52	c	Guernsey	11	52	r
B'mingham	13	55	c	Inverness	8	46	c
Blackpool	12	54	r	Jersey	15	59	f
Bristol	14	57	f	London	14	57	f
Cardiff	14	57	f	M'chester	13	55	r
Edinburgh	9	48	c	Newcastle	10	50	r
Glasgow	12	54	f	R'caldsway	11	52	c

Sun rises: 5.29 am
Sun sets: 8.27 pm
Moon sets 5.34 am
Moon rises 11.07 pm
Last Quarter May 9

NOON TODAY



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STOCK MARKET

FT 30 Share
1443.9

FT-SE 100
1802.2

Bargains
27276

USM (Datastream)
151.94

THE POUND

US dollar
1.8785

W German mark
3.1446

Trade-weighted
78.4

Friday's closing prices

Dow slips in early trading

New York (Reuter) — Wall Street shares remained lower in early trading yesterday, but blue chips were recovering from earlier losses. The market turned from a gain to a general loss, following unexpected jumps in factory orders and construction spending.

The Dow Jones industrial average was down four points at 2,028, and ranged between 2,025 and 2,037. Declines led advances two-to-one in fairly slow trading.

Learonal leaped 2¾ to 19. Asarco said it was studying the possible acquisition of Learonal, but gave no details.

● Tokyo stocks rose to a record high for the third session in a row yesterday when the Nikkei index closed 160.18 points higher at 27,669.72.

Wall Street prices, page 26
US Notebook, page 27

Koppers move to head off bid

Koppers, the Pittsburgh based building materials group, is putting the finishing touches to a recapitalization proposal, designed to thwart the $1.69 billion (£904.9 million) tender offer from Beazer, which already speaks for 64.9 per cent of Koppers' shares.

Koppers said such a proposal would involve a substantial distribution, or dividend to common shareholders.In view of the imminence of the proposal, the Koppers board has decided not to declare its second quarter dividend for the time being.

Another rebuff for Maxwell

Mr Robert Maxwell, who has recently failed to tie up a string of acquisitions, yesterday received another rebuff when a West German publishing company said it was looking for a local white knight to stave off his hostile bid.

Bibliographische Institut & FA Brockhaus (BIFAB) — a Mannheim publisher of dictionaries and encyclopedias with sales last year of about DM57 million (£18.1 million) — said it did not consider Maxwell Communication Corp , Mr Maxwell's quoted publishing company, a suitable partner.

SUMMARY

STOCK MARKETS

New York
Dow Jones ..... 2029.84 (-2.49)*
Tokyo
Nikkei Average 27669.72 (+160.18)
Hong Kong:
Hang Seng ..... 2589.89 (-12.98)
Amsterdam: Gen ..... 245.9 (-2.2)
Sydney: AO ..... 1456.0 (-0.6)
Frankfurt:
Commerzbank ..... 1361.3 (+5.1)
Brussels:
General ..... n/a
Paris: CAC ..... 310.2 (-2.3)
Zurich: SKA Gen ..... 447.6 (-1.5)

INTEREST RATES

London: Bank Base: 8%
3-month interbank 8⅞-8⅝%†
3-month eligible bills: 7²⁵/₃₂-7²³/₃₂%†
buying rate
US: Prime Rate 8½%
Federal Funds 6¹³/₁₆%*
3-month Treasury Bills 8.07-6.06%*
30-year bonds 97⅝-97²⁵/₃₂*

CURRENCIES

London:	New York:
£: $1.8785†	£: $1.8795*
£: DM3.1446†	$: DM1.6795*
£: SwFr2.6788†	$: SwFr1.3985*
£: FFr10.6887†	$: FFr5.7025*
£: Yen234.62†	$: Yen125.00*
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GOLD

London Fixing:
AM $449.75† pm-$449.00†
close $448.75-449.25† (£238.75-239.25†)
New York:
Comex $448.00-446.50*

NORTH SEA OIL

Brent (June) .. $16.56 bbl † (17.10)
* Denotes latest trading price
† Friday's closes

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Sterling weakens in wake of Vienna deadlock

Oil price drops as Opec fails to agree cuts

By Rodney Lord, Economics Editor

The oil price dropped by nearly $1 after members of Opec failed to agree early yesterday on co-ordinated cuts in exports. Brent oil for June delivery was quoted in some trades at just below $16 a barrel, compared with Opec's benchmark price of $18.

The weakness in the oil price rubbed off on sterling which fell during trading in Tokyo, Frankfurt and New York.

In spite of the support generated by better than expected trade figures at the end of last week, the pound closed in Europe down 0.9 of a pfennig at DM3.1395 and 1.4 cents at $1.8676.

The Opec talks in Vienna broke down because Saudi Arabia dug in its heels against accepting further cuts in production.

The Saudi government is determined to achieve better enforcement of existing quotas, which are frequently exceeded by some Opec members, before agreeing to reduce them.

The decision is likely to anger non-Opec producers, who had offered a cut of 5 per cent on condition that it were matched by Opec.

Before the meeting, Mr Hisham Nazer, the Saudi oil minister, paid a special visit to Mexico, the unofficial leader of the non-Opec producers, to try and persuade them to offer reductions.

Further decisions have now been deferred until the next meeting in June. Between now and then further talks will take place, both between member states and with non-Opec producers, said Mr Rilwanu Lukman, the Opec president.

Oil analysts are doubtful that Opec's differences will be resolved before then. But there are hopes that the drop in the price will be a short-term reaction, which will be offset by revived demand as the world economy shakes off the temporary effects of the share price crash.

Mr Mehdi Varzi of Kleinwort Grieveson said: "There will be the initial panic but it will be overdone as usual."

Sterling is also expected to recover as the better news on the economy delivered by the March trade figures, coupled with relatively high interest rates, reasserts itself. However central bank intervention has made traders cautious.

The dollar had a firm day, helped by the ¼ per cent rise in prime rate by Riggs National Bank at the end of last week. But it closed off its best in Europe after a rapid rise of 1.6 per cent in US factory orders reported for March renewed fears of inflation. The currency closed up 0.75 of a pfennig at DM1.6810.

Speculation is increasing that US monetary policy will be tightened. If this happens there may be pressure on the Bundesbank to respond with a rise in West German rates in view of rapid monetary growth there.

The five leading German forecasting institutes yesterday unveiled their latest half-yearly forecasts, bringing their predictions for growth this year into line with the government's at 2 per cent. But they project a severe slowdown to 1.25 per cent next year.

They repeat their call on the government to bring forward tax cuts due in 1990, but the finance and economics ministries yesterday rejected the institutes' forecast for next year as too pessimistic.

The institutes expect a realignment of currencies within the European Monetary System to compensate for differences in inflation.



No agreement: Saudi minister Hisham Nazer, who opposed further cuts, left Vienna saying: "It's a very happy ending."

Boesky fund payout likely to be scrapped

By Lawrence Lever

The $209 million (£112 million) payout to investors in the fund run by Ivan Boesky, the jailed arbitrageur, is likely to be scrapped in its present form.

This follows Boesky's wife, Seema, and Drexel Burnham Lambert, the US investment house, obtaining a further US court ruling banning it.

The ruling will affect Guinness, whose $100 million investment made it the largest participant in the partnership.

Guinness was to receive $25.5 million while other investors, such as the Imperial Group Pension Fund, Heron International and Commercial Union were to have about 85 per cent of their investment returned to them.

However, Mrs Boesky and Drexel, investors in the partnership, were excluded and obtained a temporary restraining order preventing the payout until a full court hearing last week.

On Thursday, the court in Wilmington, Delaware, ruled in favour of Mrs Boesky and Drexel. In a 48-page judgement, Judge William T Allen ruled that no payment could be made from the fund unless all the investors were given an equal proportion of their money back.

He said the proposed payout "involves the clear breach of legal rights of persons who, in so far as it now appears, have not been proven to have any liability" to the partnership.

Mr Mathias Mone, a lawyer for Drexel, said the judge had also ruled no payment from the fund could be made before Drexel was repaid $20 million of loan notes it had subscribed to the fund.

Drexel has a $3 million participation in the equity of the fund while Mrs Boesky is involved in a $13 million investment in the fund.

The judge also opened the way to a compromise solution. He said that if any of the partners believed they had a claim against other partners in the fund, the proper course would be to require the latter to put up a bond to cover those claims. However, he said this did not apply to the loan notes — they had to be repaid before any distribution from the equity.

Bell changes delayed

Australia's National Companies and Securities Commission yesterday said Bell Group had agreed to a two-week moratorium on board changes, despite today's scheduled board meeting.

The NCSC, the country's corporate watchdog, does not want Mr Alan Bond, the chairman of Bond Corporation, or a representative of the Western Australian State Government Insurance Commission (SGIC) appointed to the board immediately.

Bond Corp and the SGIC on Friday each bought a 19.9 per cent stake in Bell Group, the flagship of Mr Robert Holmes à Court.

The NCSC wants to clarify the group's position in the light of the share deals.

An NCSC spokesman said: "While the ability of the present Bell Group board to retain control might be questioned, it is not clear that control will pass to any particular party as a result of Friday's transactions."

Spending White Paper likely to be replaced

By Our Economics Editor

The annual White Paper on Public Expenditure, which has been an important event in the government calendar for nearly 20 years, is likely to be discontinued.

The Treasury has decided to accept the recommendation from the Treasury and Civil Service Select Committee that it should be replaced by an expanded Autumn Statement and a series of departmental annual reports. The new system is likely to come fully into operation from 1989-90.

The proposed change, detailed in a memorandum now with the committee, will give departments the chance to present a fuller account of their activities, and give select committees better information on which to base their monitoring. The Treasury is expected to lose some editorial control.

The new reports are likely to be published a little later in the year than the White Paper, which comes out in January, but before the new financial year begins. One option would be to produce them over a period of a week at the beginning of March shortly before the Budget. The ill-attended Commons debate on the White Paper, which now takes place around the end of February, is expected to go.

In the current financial year there is likely to be a transitional procedure. The Chancellor's Autumn Statement will be slightly expanded to include the information not already contained in Volume One of the Public Expenditure White Paper. This mainly concerns spending levels in real terms and changes from the previous plans.

Then, in January, the Treasury will produce a series of reports on spending by departments, which will contain most of the material formerly available in Volume Two of the White Paper and will be the forerunners of the planned departmental documents. The Treasury is expected to keep control over the spending numbers in the departmental documents and will advise on their form and coverage.

Ministers do not favour combining departmental annual reports with the Parliamentary Estimates as the Public Accounts Committee and the Comptroller and Auditor General, who advises the Committee, have suggested.

In the Treasury's view the time to discuss expenditure decisions is after they are announced in the Autumn Statement.

Statisticians to fight back

By David Smith, Economics Correspondent

The Government's statisticians, under pressure to produce more accurate figures, are set to come up with a robust defence of their work.

The all-party Treasury and Civil Service Committee, in its report on the 1988 Budget, said: "We regard the problems of official statistics as sufficiently serious to warrant a thorough review."

The committee cited examples in the national accounts data, and, in particular, the "large gap" between the expenditure and income measures of gross domestic product. It also referred to even larger balancing items in statistics for the personal and company sectors.

To officials at the Central Statistical Office, the committee was not pointing out anything new in in these areas. Work has been going on to eradicate increasingly large balancing items.

There have also been arguments over the tendency to under-record of the official figures.On output, the CSO has responded by incorporating in the monthly figures a "bias adjustment" based on CBI survey data.

But the data for invisible earnings has become more problematical because of the 1979 abolition of exchange controls. With much of the invisibles information now supplied on a voluntary basis, statisticians' ability to record accurately has suffered.

Indeed, the Government's policy aim of reducing interference with industry has meant that the demands on industry to provide regular statistical information have been reduced.

Major changes in the structure of the economy have also made measurement more difficult.

BA to pay $113m for stake in US venture

By Our City Staff

British Airways is paying $113 million (£60.5 million) for an 11.3 per cent stake in a joint venture with the US Covia Corporation and four other airlines to operate the United Airlines Apollo computer reservations system.

The deal was agreed yesterday in Chicago, home of Allegis Corporataion, the conglomerate which owns Covia and United Airlines. Covia has been operating and marketing the Apollo system.

Known as the Covia Partnership, the new joint venture links BA with Alitalia, KLM Royal Dutch Airlines, Swissair and USAir, and underlines the move among world airlines for global marketing alliances. BA, United, KLM, Alitalia and Swissair are also the founding partners in the European Galileo computer reservations system set up last year.

Sir Colin Marshall, the BA chief executive, said: "Our participation in the Covia Partnership represents a major investment to ensure that British Airways maintains a position at the forefront of worldwide airline competition.

"It is a vital part of our long-term strategy to develop a global distribution system."

The deal is expected to be reviewed by the US Department of Transportation.

In December, British Airways agreed a marketing partnership with United Airlines, designed to allow each airline greater presence in parts of the world where the other is leader.

Firms 'in dark' on investors

By Lawrence Lever

Almost half of the publicly quoted companies in the United Kingdom do not know for certain who their shareholders are, according to the authors of a new book on nominee shareholders published today.

The Index of Nominees and their Beneficial Owners identifies the owners of 1,300 nominee companies and 7,000 designated accounts which appear on the shareholders registers of more than 600 public companies.

The second edition of the book is three times larger than the first, which sold 600 copies to public companies and financial institutions such as stockbrokers and merchant banks.

The authors, Christopher Hird, a former analyst at Simon & Coates, Richard Belfield, who formerly worked on the *World in Action* television programme, and Sharon Kelly, a researcher, compiled it from the section 212 registers of more than 600 public companies. Section 212 of the Companies Act 1985 empowers companies to force nominee shareholders to reveal who is behind them.

Yet the authors discovered that only 54 per cent of public companies appear to have exercised their powers under this section to discover who their sharholders really are.

As well as listing details of the nominee companies and designated accounts, the book provides a section on investors in public companies and the nominees they use.

For the merely curious there is a smattering of well-known names. For example, the book discloses that Mr Cecil Parkinson, the Energy Secretary, has been shown as the owner of shares registered in the name of Ferlim Nominees which is used by clients of WI Carr Investments.

Mr Belfield claims that there has been no general move by shareholders to change the nominees they use after their details appeared in the first edition of the index.

The Index of Nominees and their Beneficial Owners, published by Fulcrum Publishing Ltd, the Finsbury Business Centre, 40 Bowling Green Lane, London EC1R ONE, price £110.

M&S to explain why Brooks is suited

By Joe Joseph

Marks and Spencer will today give the City its first glimpse of its plans for Brooks Brothers, the prestigious American menswear chain it chose as its passport into the US market.

Final papers for the $750 million (£402 million) purchase of Brooks from Campeau Corporation, the Canadian property and stores group, were signed over the weekend.

M&S finally has full control of the 47-strong chain that has clothed famous Americans from Abraham Lincoln to George Bush, and whose Oxford button-down shirts and "penny loafer" shoes have become the signature of US East Coast establishment chic.

Lord Rayner, the M&S chairman — no longer bound by confidentiality agreements — now has the freedom to convince the City of the financial logic of a deal that many felt was too expensive, even taking Brooks's blue-chip reputation into account.

M&S is unlikely to rush into anything or to tamper with Brooks Brothers' deliberately inconspicuous style.

But Lord Rayner is expected to unveil plans to boost the number of Brooks Brothers outlets in America.

M&S is also looking to expand its successful food retailing operation through hundreds of Campeau's department stores. As part of the purchase terms, M&S has agreed a three-year exclusive right to rent space for food retailing in Campeau department stores of its choice.

In the longer term, M&S is considering bringing Brooks's Ivy League uniform to Britain and Europe, selling the "preppy" look, either through M&S stores or separate shops.

There is also the possibility that M&S, which has had shaky success in North America so far, will nudge its own products into Brooks Brothers stores.

Nor will the acquisition of Brooks sate M&S's American appetite. Mr Alan Smith of M&S has been in the US for the past year evaluating opportunities. He and his team will continue to hunt for retailing truffles.

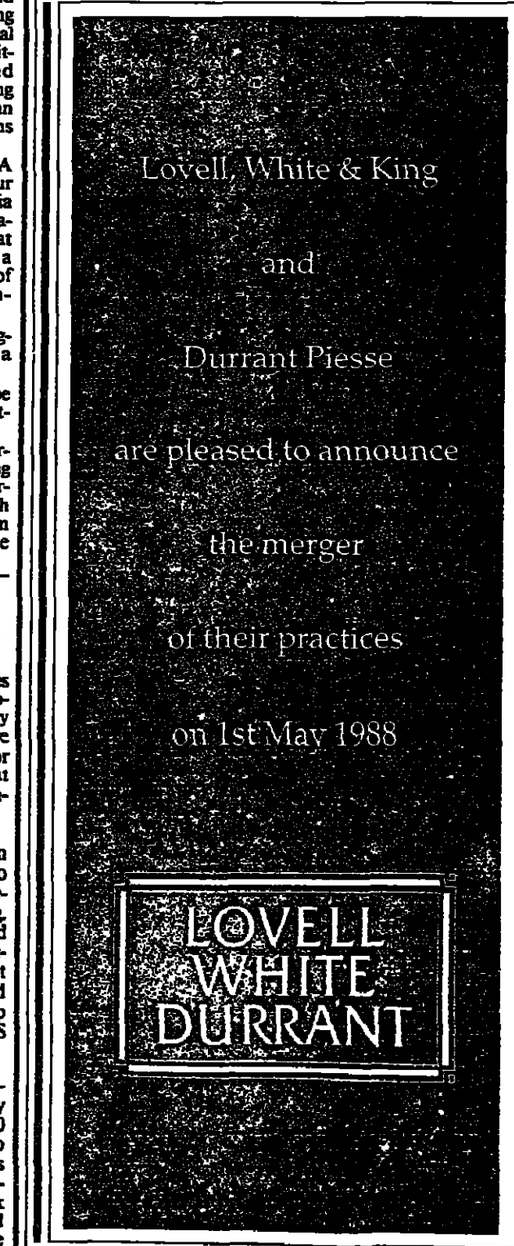
The deal will also give M&S better access in Japan, through the dozen joint ventures Brooks has there. M&S is keen to expand in the Far East. This Friday, it will open its first store in Hong Kong's Ocean Centre.

Purchasing Brooks is a big departure for M&S, which traditionally has relied on its own outlets and St Michael trade mark.

M&S's recent mixed success in moving its British stores upmarket had already provoked talk that the company was losing its way, even before it came under criticism for releasing so few details about Brooks Brothers and its turnover, profits and prospects.

The initial City reaction when the deal was struck two months ago was at best lukewarm, at worst despairing. Many stockbrokers, disturbed by the arithmetic of the acquisition and worried that group profits next year could tumble, took the unusual step of urging clients to sell M&S shares.

Estimates of Brooks Brothers' revenues for last year vary from $260 million to $280 million. Profits are trickier to gauge, though with Brooks believed to work on higher-than-average mark-ups, talk that earnings last year topped $40 million may not be wide of the mark.



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Panama faces banking crisis

Panama City (AP-Dow Jones) — Panama's international banking centre was once a magnet for money from throughout the world, a safe haven for cash that earned the country a reputation as the Switzerland of Latin America.

Now, bankers worry that the system may never recover from a shutdown of nearly two months, caused by political unrest surrounding the leadership of General Manuel Antonio Noriega. Frightened investors have pulled billions of dollars out of Panama, and bankers are anxiously studying their options.

The country used to attract money from investors worldwide, attracted by secrecy provisions and the use of the US dollar as local currency. But the wave of protest against General Noriega's rule has shaken confidence.

In March, the government shut 67 banks after $50 million in Panamanian government money was frozen in US banks.

The subsequent cash shortage prevented the National Bank of Panama from providing the dozen locally owned banks with enough money to cover a run on deposits that began on February 26.

Analysts have no figures on how much money has left the banking system this year. Estimates vary widely from a few billion dollars to more than $10 billion.

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ANALYSIS

Why high-speed Hillsdown may grow on investors

Hillsdown Holdings, one of the most successful groups in the food manufacturing sector, is commonly seen as "the company which buys anything that moves".

Hillsdown is acquisitive, but that has not proved to be a bad thing. Many are small, agreed purchases identified by the group's subsidiaries. In this way, Hillsdown aims to build up worthwhile operating units in neglected and fragmented industries.

Once within the fold, they are restructured and given an injection of capital. This reduces production costs and helps match demand with capacity.

Then the management embarks on a process of adding value to the product, often developing new lines in conjunction with customers. This close relationship with customers, including all the leading retailers, is one of Hillsdown's strengths.

In an industry not known for dynamism, Hillsdown's approach is novel, with a refreshingly direct top management team. A minute head office provides a banking and analysis service for subsidiaries. Line management runs the businesses.

Yet there is no lack of knowledge at the top as close contact is always maintained. The speed and regularity of reporting key ratios are impressive, as is the rapidity of decision-making.

Thus head office is aware of problems almost as soon as they arise, maximizing the scope for corrective action. Similar speed and flexibility help Hillsdown respond to market changes.

Much of the management is given bonus and share-option incentives, although the board is not sentimental about making changes if employees underperform.

Vertical integration is an important target in Hillsdown's aim of becoming a low-cost producer. In poultry, fish and meat much has been achieved, although the group has aspirations to repeat the formula in fresh fruit, vegetables and bakery products. Widening margins can make a big impact — one percentage point adds £35 million to profits.

Hillsdown's growth has been remarkable. In 1977, its profits were £116,000 on sales of £3.3 million. Last year, sales were £3 billion and profits £110 million. Yet Mr Harry Solomon, the chairman, has not changed his approach to management as the group has grown. He sees Hillsdown as a number of smaller companies.

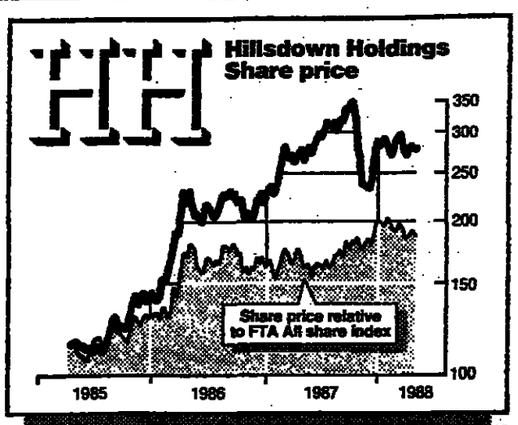
Mr Solomon, a solicitor by profession and joint founder of the group, believes he and his fellow 21 head office staff members have been able to develop this devolved, yet tightly controlled, system because they have not picked up bureaucratic habits in larger organizations.

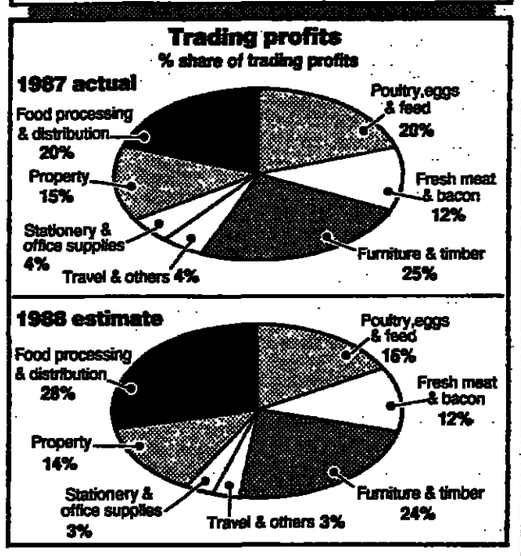
Sceptics say the method cannot last as the company grows, with sales of more than £3 billion now and a broadening geographical base.

So far, however, they have been proved wrong.

Outpacing average growth

After an exciting stock market début in 1985, Hillsdown Holdings won a premium rating both to the food manufacturing sector and the market. But this has since been eroded, leaving the shares on no more than an historic market rating. This is despite compound earnings-per-share growth of more than 40 per cent between 1983 and 1987. Present trading levels suggest growth should continue at an above-average rate. Mr Robert Brand, a food manufacturing analyst at Barclays de Zoete Wedd, is forecasting pretax profits of £150 million this year, rising to £185 million next. This implies earnings-per-share growth of 21 per cent in 1988 and 17 per cent in 1989, roughly double estimated corporate earnings growth for those years.





Food set for a larger helping

Hillsdown is classified as a food manufacturing share, although last year only 53 per cent of profits and 70 per cent of sales came from food-related activities. After last summer's takeover of the Canadian Maple Leaf Mills, food should reassert itself.

In uncertain market conditions, however, Hillsdown's high gearing is not welcome. It fell last year, but still stood at 95 per cent of shareholders' funds.

It should drop further this year, perhaps to 50 per cent, and two fifths of the debt is covered by a 4.5 per cent convertible. With five times interest cover, Hillsdown is not overly concerned.

Other factors that deter investors are the rising tax charge and the subnormal yield — about 2.5 per cent.

Hillsdown's dramatic growth has made some people scoff at the record, claiming it is all a trick done with mirrors. Yet even they have a hard time finding anything wrong with Hillsdown's accounting practices, or the amount of information it discloses.

Mindful of criticisms that acquisitions alone drive it forward, Hillsdown is at pains to point out that last year's doubling of pretax profits masked organic earnings growth of 30 per cent.

The rapid rate of corporate activity gives the impression that Hillsdown is leading a paper-chase. Admittedly there has been a steady increase in the share capital — taking into account a rights issue, a vendor placing and a substantial sale of shares by Mr David Thompson, now non-executive director, but co-founder and previously joint chairman. Earnings growth, however, has not been impaired.

Acquisitions will not stop. Larger purchases could include Christian Salvesen, the distributions group, the Southern-Evans timber business, and Crown Suppliers. Agreed bids are preferred to contested ones.

Hillsdown counters the claim that it is a Hansonesque asset-stripper by pointing to its heavy capital investment programme amounting to £111 million last year alone.

In the core food manufacturing businesses, Hillsdown continues to improve the return from the red meats division, employing many techniques used successfully in turning the poultry operations around, while the enlarged fish business has potential.

The cyclical downturn in the poultry market will put pressure on margins but the growing proportion of earnings from value-added products should mitigate much of this.

Hillsdown's conglomerate characteristics deter those happy to buy Hazlewood Foods on a rating 50 per cent higher. Yet the record and management philosophy are not dissimilar.

The non-food businesses are considered no less exciting. Ironically, for those who are nervous about the group's attachment to furniture and property, Hillsdown was involved in these businesses long before it touched food manufacturing.

Hillsdown will continue to find opportunities for residential and commercial property development, so to have in-house expertise will maximize the returns.

Adding value to a commodity such as timber has similarities with food manufacturing — taking a commodity and turning it into something better. Developing furniture ranges in conjunction with leading retailers is again a familiar process for Hillsdown.

But it is not wise to stretch the synergy argument too far. There will always be an entrepreneurial streak in Hillsdown. It may land the group in trouble, but to date it has done nothing but good for shareholders. At least the management recognizes an exciting opportunity when it sees one.

In a nervous market, Hillsdown's high gearing and exposure to traditionally cyclical industries such as furniture, timber, property development and housebuilding are perceived weaknesses, but this still leaves an above-average growth rate and three quarters of the businesses in defensive food manufacturing assets.

In the bull market these were shunned for being boring and lacking growth potential. Hillsdown's record suggests that perhaps the competition was wanting.

In the meantime, while the level of corporate activity in the sector remains high and should result in at least a tranche of cash flowing into shareholders' pockets, investors may look more favourably on Hillsdown when seeking a new home for their cash. After all, a re-rating is long overdue.

Alexandra Jackson

BUSINESS BOOKS

Interest rates at root of rising debt

The Debt Threat by Tim Congdon; published by Basil Blackwell; £25 hardback, £7.95 paperback.

The 1980s may come to be known as the debt decade. Everyone is aware of the debt problems suffered by the middle-income countries of the Third World like Mexico, Brazil and Argentina (Rodney Lord writes).

Less well known is the rapid rise in debt through most of the developed world as well. Since 1980 the gross debt of general government in the US has risen from 37.7 per cent of GNP to an estimated 52.2 per cent in the current year. It has also risen in Japan from 52 per cent to 68.8 per cent, in West Germany from 32.5 to 44.4, France 25 to 39.9, Italy 67.4 to 112.7, and Canada 44.7 per cent to 72.5 per cent. Of all the Group of Seven countries, only Britain shows a fall.

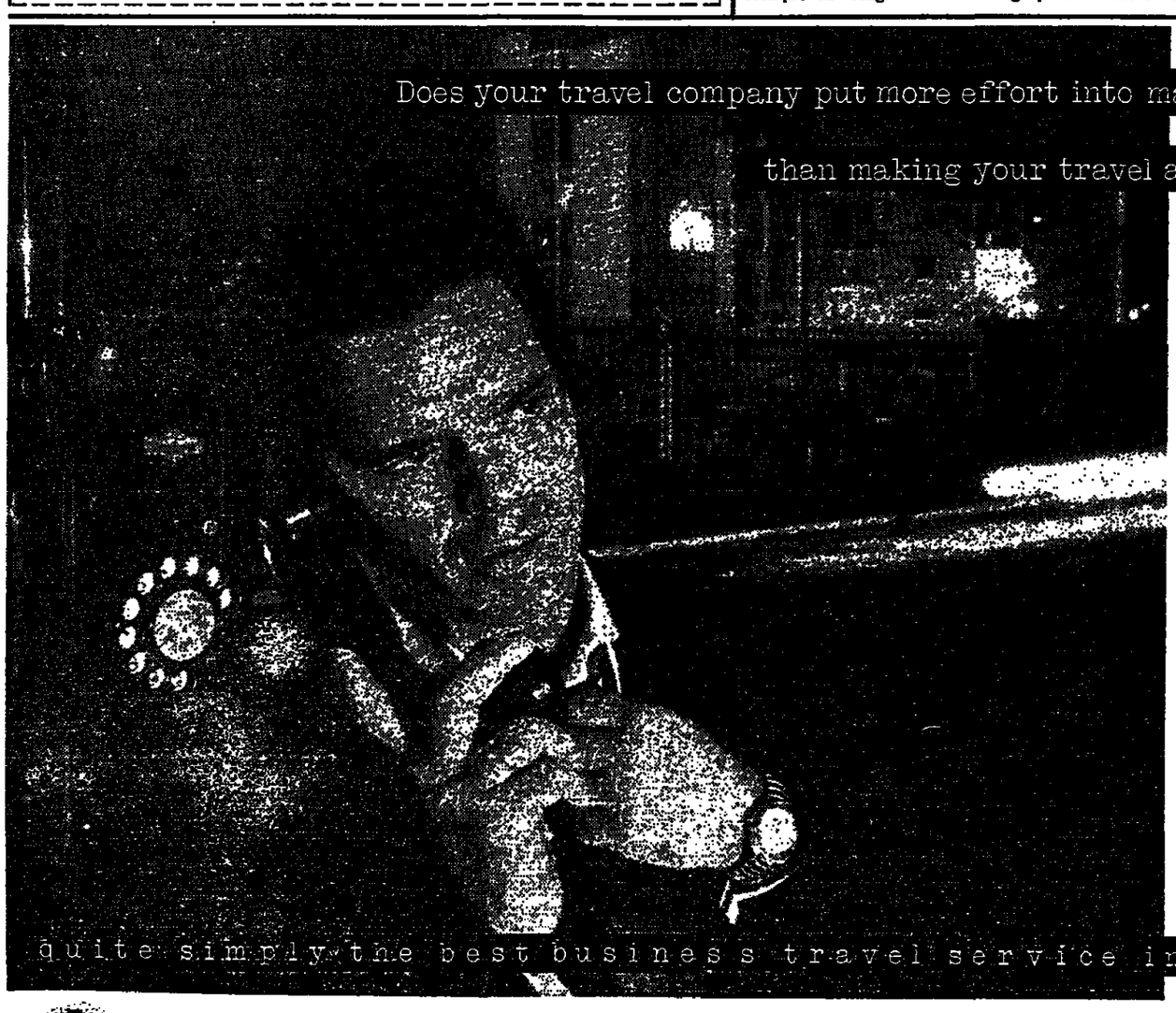
What is the reason? According to Mr Tim Congdon of Shearson Lehman, in his very readable book *The Debt Threat*, the answer is high real interest rates. A high level of interest rates relative to inflation has tended to increase the burden of servicing debt everywhere, and forced debtors to raise new debt to service the old, thus piling up the mountain even higher.

Average real long-term interest rates on G7 government bonds in the first five years of the decade rose to 3.7 per cent, compared with nil in the previous five years. Economic growth slowed from 2.9 per cent to 1.6 per cent, converting the "cover" provided by income growth less interest rates from plus 2.9 per cent to minus 2.1 per cent.

The conclusion has startling implications for monetary policy. Interest rates are the only available weapon in the conduct of monetary policy. But if raising real interest rates in order to curb monetary growth is liable simply to drive countries, and individuals, further into debt, how can it be effective in the long run? Eventually when credit is exhausted the debt mountain is likely to be levelled in a new burst of inflation.

This paradox is not pursued by Mr Congdon. But the path of virtue he prescribes — including balanced budgets, a tax system that does not excessively favour borrowing, and credit policies that avoid bursts of speculative excitement — has been adopted at least in part by our own government.

And Britain, in spite of high interest rates, and low growth in the early years of the decade, is the one G7 country repaying debt rather than adding to it. But even pursuing these principles, the present rate of increase in bank lending in Britain could be storing up trouble.



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	Apr 29	Apr 28		Apr 29	Apr 28		Apr 29	Apr 28
AMR Cp	43¼	42¾	Fedders	8⅞	9	Pennzoil	74¼	74¼
ASA	44¾	45	Firestone	79⅝	79⅝	Pepsico	34¾	35¼
Aetna Life	42	43¼	Fst Chicago	25⅞	26	Pfizer	55	56¼
Allied Signal	31½	31¾	Fst Int Bncp	42¾	42¾	Phelps Dod	37¾	39¾
Allie Chmi		1¼	Fst Penn C	10⅞	10⅞	Philip Mor	86¾	88¾
Alcoa	44	45⅝	FT Wachva	38	37¾	Philip Pet	17¾	17½
Amax Inc	20⅜	21	Ford Motor	47¼	47¾	Polaroid	30¾	31¼
AMR Hess	30⅝	30⅝	GAF Cp	50¾	50¾	Primerica	24¾	25¼
Am Brands	43¾	44¼	GTE Cp	35¾	35¾	Proct Gble	77¼	78¾
Am Cyanmd	50¾	50¼	Gen Cp	17¾	17¾	Pub SE Gr	22¾	22¾
Am Ele Pwr	26⅝	26⅝	Gn Dynam	54¾	54¾	R Nabisco	51	51¼
Amexs	23¾	23¾	Gen Electric	40¼	40⅜	Raytheon	66¾	66¾
Am Family	15¼	15	Gen Inst	30¾	30¾	Rynlds Metl	44¾	45¾
Am Home	77⅝	78⅜	Gen Mills	46⅝	47	Rockwell Int	18¼	18¾
Am Int Grp	52¼	52¾	Gen Motors	75	75⅛	Royal Dutch	122⅝	123¾
Am Stand	77½	77¾	Gen Pub Ut	32⅜	32⅝	SFE Sopac	15⅝	15⅝
Am Telph	26½	26⅝	Genesco	4	4	Sara Lee	39	39⅜
Amoco Cp	78¼	78⅜	Georgia Pac	40¼	40¾	Schlumb	37½	37¾
Anheuser B	30¾	31	Gillette	41¾	42¾	Scott Paper	37¼	36¾
Armco Steel	11½	11¾	Goodrich	53¾	52¾	Seagram	53	53
Asarco Inc	23¾	22¾	Goodyear	62¼	63	Sears Roeb	35¼	35¾
Ashland Oil	71	70¼	Gould Inc	11	11⅛	Shell Trans	79¾	80¾
Atl Richfld	88¼	88	Grace Co	27	27¾	Singer	n.a	n.a
Avon Prod	23¼	23¾	Grt Atl Pac	35¾	35¾	Smith Beck	53¾	54¼
Bk Boston	23½	24	Greyhnd	29¾	29½	Sony Cp	44¼	44⅝
Bank NY	30¾	30⅝	Grumen	21	21⅛	Sth Cal Ed	30¾	30¾
Bankamer	10⅜	10¾	Gulf & West	75½	75¾	SW Bell	35¼	35¾
Bkrs Tst NY	30¾	30¾	Heinz	41	41⅝	Squibb	58	59¼
Baxter	21¾	21½	Hercules	48¾	48¾	Sterl Drug	n.a	n.a
Beth Steel	20¾	20⅝	Hewlett Pk	61¼	61½	Stevens JP	68¾	68¾
Boeing	48	48¼	Honeywell	70¼	70¾	Sun Comp	53½	53¾
Bosse Casc	44¾	45	IC Ind	34¾	35¾	TRW Inc	43¾	43
Borden	54½	54½	ITT Cp	46¾	46¾	Teledyne	328½	328½
Brist Meyr	40¾	40¾	INCO	28¾	28¾	Tenneco	43¾	43¾
BP	61¾	62	Ing Rand Wi	39¾	38¾	Texaco	50¾	48¼
Brunswick	23¾	23¾	Inland Steel	34¾	34½	Tex Eastn	27¾	27¾
Burl Nth	68	68¾	IBM	113¾	113	Texas Inst	47	47¼
CBS	150¾	151¼	Int Paper	48¾	48¾	Tex Util	25¾	25¾
Cms Engy	18¼	17¾	Irving Bk	61¼	60¾	Textron	25¾	24¾
CPC Int	49¾	49¾	Jhsn & Jhsn	75¾	77¼	Travelers	33¾	34¾
CSX Cp	27¾	28¼	K Mart	33½	33¾	USG	41	42¾
Camp Soup	26¾	26¾	Kaisertech	14¾	14¾	USX Cp	32	32
Can Pacific	19¾	19¾	Kerr McGee	37¾	37¾	Unisys Cp	34¾	35¼
Caterpillar	62¾	63¾	Kimbrly Clrk	53¾	54¾	Un Carbide	23¾	23¾
Centrl SW	31¾	31½	Kraft	53¼	53½	Un Pac Cp	66	65¾
Champion	33¾	34¼	Kroger	33	33¾	Unisys Cp	34¾	34¼
Chase Man	24¼	25¾	LTV Cp	3¾	3¾	Utd Brands	48¼	48
Chem NY	34¾	34¾	Litton	82¾	82¾	Us West	52¾	53¼
Chevron	48¾	49	Lockheed	48	44¾	Utd Tech	38¾	39¾
Chrysler	23	23½	Lucky Str	61¼	61¾	Unocal	37¾	37
Citicorp	19¾	20¾	Man H'nwr	28	29	Warn Lamb	67	68¼
Clark Eq	31	31	Manville	2¾	2¼	Wells Far	53	53¾
Coca Cola	38¾	38¾	Mapco	56¼	56¼	Westg El	52¾	52¾
Colgate	44¼	43¾	Marriott	29¾	30½	Weyerhsr	37¾	38
Colomb Gas	29¾	29¾	Mt Marriets	42¾	42¾	Whirlpool	27¼	26½
Cmb'n Eng	30¾	31½	Masco	28¾	28¾	Woolworth	56¼	56¾
Cmwlth Ed	24¾	24¾	Mcdonalds	43¾	43	Xerox Cp	54	53¾
Cons Edis	43	42¾	McDonnell	63¾	64¾	Zenith	21¾	21½
Consol Ng	36¾	36¾	Mead Cp	36¾	37½			
Cont Data	24¼	24¾	Merck	157¾	158¼	**CANADIAN PRICES**		
Corning Gl	51¾	51¾	Minsts Mng	59¾	59¾			
Crane	29¾	30¼	Mobil	46¾	47¾	Agnico Eag	n.a	18¾
Curtiss W	50¼	50¼	Monsanto	81¾	81¾	Alcan Alum	n.a	34¾
Data Genl	22¾	22¾	Morgan Jp	31¾	32	Algoma St	n.a	12.75
Deere Cp	47	47	Motorola	47¾	48¾	Can Pacific	n.a	23½
Delta Air	48¾	48¾	NCR	61¾	61¾	Cominco	n.a	19¾
Detroit Ed	13¼	13¾	NL Indstrs	7¼	7¼	Con Bathrst	n.a	16¾
Digital Eq	104¾	105	Nat Md Ent	22¼	22¼	Hawk S Can	n.a	24¼
Disney	57¾	57¾	Nat Semi	13	13¾	Hud Bay M	n.a	18¾
Dow Chem	81¾	82¾	Norfolk Sth	27¾	27¾	Imasco	n.a	28¼
Dressr Ind	33¾	33¾	NW Bancrp	41¾	42¾	Imperial Oil	n.a	56¼
Dupont	85¾	85¾	Ocdd Pet	28¾	28¾	Int Pipe	n.a	47¾
Duke Pwr	44¼	43¾	Ogden Cp	28¾	28¾	Royl Trstco	n.a	16¾
East Kodak	40¾	40¾	Olin Cp	50	48¾	Seagram	n.a	65
Eaton Cp	79¾	79¾	PPG Ind	42¾	43¾	Shelco 'A'	n.a	23¾
Emerson El	30¾	30¾	Pac Enterp	45¾	45¾	Thmsn N 'A'	n.a	27½
Emery Air	6¾	6½	Pac Gas El	15	14¾	Varity Cp	n.a	4.05
Exxon	44¾	45	Pan Am	2¾	2¾	WCT	n.a	17¾
Farah Inc	9½	9¾	Penney JC	47¾	47¾	Weston	n.a	34¾

NEDC working party aims to help packaging industry

By David Young

The British packaging industry, worth £5.5 billion a year, is to be examined by a working party from the National Economic Development Council.

Britain runs trade deficits on a large number of key packaging materials and types of packs, with 50 per cent of the market in some categories beong taken by imported goods.

The working party is chaired by Mrs Rowena Mills, the chairman and chief executive of RMA, the consultancy group. She said: "Our prime task is to determine and initiate action to improve the international trade performance of the UK packaging industry. We aim to help UK users and suppliers of packaging to work together more closely to mutual benefit, and help suppliers improve their share of the world packaging market.

"The working party intends to find out why UK packaging suppliers have not shared fully in the economic recovery and what needs to be done to improve their performance."

Although British packaging manufacturers have seen a 20 per cent rise in the value of their sales between 1982 and 1986, the share of the home market taken by imports has risen and there has been no compensating rise in exports.

Mrs Mills added: "The success of the working party in discharging its demanding remit will depend on the goodwill and support of companies involved in packaging supply and use, whom our work will aim to help. We have been encouraged by the support already offered, and hope that more will be forthcoming as our work develops. We are looking for industry co-operation with our consultants in the research stage."

The working party has decided to focus initially on food and drink packaging, which accounts for two thirds of all packaging, and on flexible and semi-flexible packaging and folding cartons where net direct imports are higher. The working party will seek the views of the leading food and drink manufacturers, the suppliers of packaging machinery and the supermarket groups.

End to farm aid 'will boost jobs and trade'

By John Young
Agriculture Correspondent

The ending of agricultural protectionism will reduce the US trade deficit by more than $40 billion (£21.3 billion), and generate three million new jobs within the EEC, a report claims today.

It will also boost incomes in developing countries by $26 billion, allowing even the poorest to reduce their foreign debt by 5 per cent a year.

The report, by the Centre for International Economics, in Canberra, summarizes studies to be discussed at a seminar in London tomorrow.

Dr Andy Stoeckel, the centre's director, says present farm support policies are as wasteful, inefficient and damaging to world trade as any other form of protectionism.

"Protection against imports amounts to a tax on exports," he says. "Instead of jobs being secured or gained through farm support policies, they are being lost."

In the United Kingdom, West Germany, France and Italy manufacturing output is lower than it need be as a result of agricultural policies, the report says. By raising the cost of living, these policies reduce the competitiveness of manufacturing output

Studies in the US indicate the removal of $31 billion in subsidies in 1986 would have improved the trade balance by $42 billion.

Raine Industries sets sights on £20m construction buy

By Cliff Feltham

A £20 million-plus takeover in the construction industry is on the cards at acquisitive Raine Industries as it prepares for its next big step forward.

Raine has been transformed over the last 18 months from a tired engineering business into a significant housebuilding and contracting group under Mr Peter Parkin, the chief executive.

This week the company will announce another key appointment – headhunting the joint managing director of a leading building group to become its operations director. "You get the right men in place before you do the deals," Mr Parkin said.

"We now want to build up a fourth leg to the group. We want it to be a construction-related company which could be in mechanical or electrical engineering, building products, or even in roofing."

Raine Industries was an unexciting Sheffield engineering group until Mr Parkin and Mr John Gould reversed their Miller Wheeldon private housebuilding and property company into it.

The first big leap forward was the takeover of Ford & Weston, a shopfitter and construction group. The takeover of Lycett and Platt, another shopfitting firm, and two small housebuilders in the West Midlands and Cumbria followed. Then came the acquisition of Aberdeen Construction. Mr Parkin swapped the aggregates business for the Fletcher Homes housebuilding arm of Evered Holdings, elevating Raine into the top 15 British housebuilders.



Birthday wish: Peter Parkin wants to see Raine shares at £5

Housebuilding makes up about a third of profits with the rest evenly split between construction, closely involved in local authority contracts, and shopfitting. But by next year, housebuilding should contribute more than half of group profits.

Pretax profits this year should touch £12.5 million, against £3.7 million last time, and brokers are expecting this to rise to £18 million in 1989 before taking into account any further acquisitions.

Mr Parkin, who celebrated his 41st birthday yesterday, has seen the group grow in two years from a market capitalization of £6 million to £120 million. The shares have risen from 25p to 100p during that time. "I have said that by the time I am 45 I want the shares to be standing at £5," he said.

US NOTEBOOK

An eerie calm before storm

From Maxwell Newton
New York

There is an eerie calm in the financial markets. Bonds continue to erode in price; stocks are doing nothing and turnovers are very light; the dollar is more or less holding its own, and interest in buying financial assets is minimal. Everyone, it seems, is waiting for lower bond prices, bond futures prices and share prices.

The US economy shows considerable – and in view of the balance of payments crisis, undesirable – strength. Real personal consumption rose nearly 3 per cent a year between December and March, while a powerful investment boom is taking place.

As the May Treasury refunding looms, more and more expectations are focused on the prospect of a 9.35 per cent yield on the US long bond. Meanwhile, trading is so slow that some bond traders are even taking time off for lunch – out of the office.

Federal Reserve policy has been more than usually inscrutable. From Thursday, the federal funds rate went over 7 per cent and, despite important cash infusions, stayed there, indicating a sudden drop in demand for short-term US paper or an escalation of demand for short-term US loans.

The Texas banking crisis continues to balloon, with $4 billion (£2.1 billion) of Federal Reserve and Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation money already poured in. Ms Nancy Lazar, the monetary analyst at CJ Lawrence Morgan Grenfell, says: "From a historical perspective, other than Continental Illinois, the Texas banks crisis is the largest on record. We believe that before the problem is stabilized, it will exceed the Continental Illinois problem."

The crisis in the financial system will drift along until the next US trade figures hasten a fresh (perhaps the ultimate) crisis.

The dollar is held together by sealing wax and string. Currency speculators are extremely surly, having been badly battered by the central banks this year. There is muttered speculation about the degree to which the non-dollar leading central banks are going to continue to pour money into dollar support while undermining the price stability of their own systems.

Given an opening to smash the dollar down, the currency speculators would rush into it, eyes aflame, arms waving and rocket launchers at the ready. They may have their opportunity later this month, at March trade deficit time.

ECONOMIC VIEW

Voters need yardstick for councils' spending

Once a year – in May – local accountability becomes reality for the day, as councillors in various parts of the country submit their stewardship to the test of the ballot box. On Thursday, it is the turn of the metropolitan districts, plus some non-metropolitan districts and Scotland's district councils.

The proportion of voters who bother to take this opportunity for a say in how they are governed is usually no more than 45 per cent. In some towns, fewer bother to vote than would turn up for a football match on Saturdays.

It can hardly be that local matters are unimportant to them. Education concerns most parents more than any other issue, apart – perhaps – from health. Planning questions can divide whole towns.

The apathy seems to stem, mainly, from the electorate's difficulty in disentangling local performance from national politics. Local voters who conscientiously attempt to cast their votes on the basis of the record of the incumbent majority party face a baffling task. Any shortcomings in services will be blamed by councillors on the miserliness of central government.

Attempts to keep track of spending from year to year will often be frustrated by successive reorganizations of local government. Comparisons of rate increases with other local authorities will be complicated by precepting, differing needs and central government's ever-changing policy on grant distribution. Yet the justification put forward for the poll tax is that it will encourage voters to make precisely this kind of assessment.

Voters urgently need an impartial guide to the performance of their local councillors over the period they have been in office. Until that materializes, here are some pointers to developments over the past four years in the metropolitan districts. The figures are derived from published statistics of the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy, collated from the authorities' own returns.

The first question voters will want to ask is how increases in rates have compared with those in other authorities. Total rates, including precepts paid by domestic ratepayers over the period, have risen by widely differing amounts in the metropolitan districts over the past four years, varying from 18 per cent in Sheffield to 85 per cent in neighbouring Kirklees.

But some of the smaller increases – as in Sheffield – started from an already high level and have been curbed by government rate-capping. Authorities have also become adept at concealing the real rate of increase in their spending by various accountancy transactions, most of which have the effect of mortgaging future ratepayers' assets.

In the Greater Manchester area, the biggest rate increases have been in Salford, where domestic rates have gone up 73 per cent. This is much faster than the 40 per cent increase in total spending, and reflects the high level of spending in relation to "needs" – as determined by the Government – which has led to penal withholding of grant. Trafford and Stockport, both of which spend slightly below "needs", have the two lowest rates in the area.

Of the five Merseyside authorities, Liverpool has become notorious as the highest spender with the highest rate and, alongside Knowsley, has the biggest increase in rates over the past four years. In Tyne and Wear, every district has been rate-capped at some point, apart from Sunderland which shows relatively small increases in spending and rates.

Birmingham stands out in the West Midlands for the biggest rate increase (63 per cent); Coventry for the highest rate; and Solihull for both the lowest rate and the smallest increase (27 per cent). All the authorities in West Yorkshire have increased spending and rates much faster than average – Leeds least.

Money, of course, is only half the story. As well as knowing how much their councils are spending and taxing, voters want to know where the money is going and how effectively it is being used.

Taking the most important local service first, high rate increases in Manchester and Salford have duly been reflected in some areas of local provision for education, with above-average increases in spending per pupil in secondary schools.

The pupil/teacher ratio in Manchester schools has dropped rapidly, but although spending on administration and clerical staff has risen by a large amount, spending on books has hardly risen at all in real terms. This may seem a curious set of priorities. Walsall and Coventry are also authorities which seem to have been relatively frugal with books and generous with administration, but the reverse is true of low-spending Solihull.

In housing, some authorities have been prepared to make massive calls on their ratepayers to subsidize council tenants. In Liverpool, for instance, rents have scarcely risen at all, while the rate fund contribution has more than tripled.

Arrears have also risen by nearly half. Management costs are low – perhaps too low – and have risen little. Arrears have also risen rapidly in Sheffield – faster than in any other metropolitan district – while spending on housing management has risen only half as fast as the general rate of inflation.

Similar points could be made about other services. By themselves, these comparisons cannot conclusively prove anything. But they do raise questions which need to be answered in the minds of ratepayers and consumers of local services before the polls close on Thursday.

Rodney Lord
Economics Editor

EEC tax proposals 'unfair to Scotch'

By Colin Narbrough

The whisky industry today gives strong backing to the Government's stance against harmonizing indirect taxes in Europe, with a report that suggests Scotch, a leading export earner, will be punitively taxed if EEC Commision proposal's are adopted.

The report, delivered to Mrs Thatcher, her Cabinet and MPs, calls on the Government to reject Brussels' plan for harmonizing excise duty on alcoholic drinks, as it will entrench "massive discrimination" against whisky and other spirits in favour of beer and especially wine.

The Commission's proposals foresee a tax on whisky eight times as high per degree of alcohol as on wine, and four times as high as on beer.

The report, commissioned by the Scotch Whisky Association, says this would not only adversely affect Scotch's scope for competing on fair terms in its largest market, but it would undo all the endeavours of the Chancellor to bring about a fairer tax treatment on whisky at home.

Mr Bill Bewsher, director general of the SWA, says the EEC takes 45 per cent of Scotch exports, which puts the industry in a good position to benefit from the Single Market

But he says the industry already faces massive tax discrimination in a wine-oriented EEC, and had hoped for improvement.

Children's market 'now worth £1bn'

By Rosemary Unsworth, Retail Affairs Correspondent

Children now account for £1 billion worth of direct spending power, according to a survey by Euromonitor, the market research group.

The chief areas of children's expenditure are confectionery, clothes, records and tapes.

Although the number of under-16s is falling – and will decline by another 2 per cent by 1991 – the level of expenditure is not. Manufacturers are aware that children's food and drinks are now worth nearly a quarter of the food market overall.

Retailers have led the way in creating the child consumer, as stores such as Woolworth, Boots and Toys 'R' Us now have shops aimed directly at children, says the survey.

The fastest growth recently has been in soft toys, car and train sets and construction kits.

The banks and building societies are also continually thinking up ways of increasing their share of the children's market. NatWest's Piggy Bank has more than 1 million accounts.

Children's products account for £1,700 million or 10 per cent of television advertising expenditure.

Children as Consumers: Marketing and Markets for the Under-16s by Euromonitor, 87-88 Turnmill Street, London EC1M 5QU. 01-251 8024

Monarch sets three-year target for Venezuelan mine production

Colin Campbell reports from Caracas on a British company set to become a significant gold supplier in the 1990s

Monarch Resources, the London-listed exploration company focusing on gold deposits in Venezuela, has confirmed it plans to bring at least one medium-sized gold mine into production by the end of 1990 or early 1991.

Monarch directors, briefing London and continental fund managers after a tour of some of the dozen concession areas held by the group, said they aimed to have a "bankable document" ready by December 1989, and that a viable gold operation would follow 12-18 months later.

Other blueprints to bring additional deposits to the production stage are on the drawing board, and the group is negotiating to increase its exploration acreage as quickly as possible before rival overseas mining companies move in.

Mr Adrian Nash, the Monarch chief executive, told the fund managers: "We are now getting up and starting to run, and the chances of achieving something significant are very good."

Though Monarch was listed on the London market only last July, following a £6.6 million placement at 295p a share which drew in the initial band of Swiss-based, continental and British investors, an early cash flow from a management contract of the Colombia mine at El Callao in the state of Bolivar, and from its 49 per cent stake in the Mocupia Gorge tailings project is predicted.

Mocupia is likely to generate an operating profit of $1 million a month when fully operational and, with proven reserves of 200,000 ounces, will give Monarch its first attributable gold production. However, as the pace of development of other larger projects starts, the number of ounces directly attributable to Monarch will rise considerably.

Everything points to Monarch becoming a significant gold producer in its own right in the early 1990s.

In addition to Mocupia, Monarch has the right to exploit for its own account other mineral deposits which may be found below the tailings (waste dumps) and alluvial deposits.

The concessions for La Camorra and Canaima for alluvial and vein gold near the town of El Dorado – an area historically proved to be the richest source of gold in Venezuela – are potentially exciting.

However, analysts' real attention is now focused on the Bochinche concession in the extreme east of Venezuela where two concessions have been applied for, totalling 10,000 hectares. If these areas also fall under Monarch's umbrella, the nature and the gold potential of the group will be significantly enhanced.

The Venezuelan tax laws are not that kind to mining ventures, applying a 60 per cent tax rate on net income above the first $1 million, compared with a 50 per cent tax rate applied to other enterprises. However, the government aims to promote businesses earning foreign exchange and is providing tax concessions with the ability to repatriate funds to foreign investors which should lead to a kinder tax structure.

The government is also conscious that the gold mining industry *per se* needs to be put on a firmer footing. The best guess of Venezuela's annual gold production is 20 tonnes – a guess because, with thousands of individuals involved in one-man prospecting and alluvial mining, and with gold an international commodity whose role in the world of drug-running is not unknown, up to two thirds of the country's perceived annual production is smuggled and by-passes the central bank.

To try to bring through the central bank as large a percentage of the country's gold as possible, the authorities now buy individual and group production. It pays the free market price, converted into dollars at the free market exchange rate. Mr Andrew Nelson, Monarch's finance director, says you cannot get a better deal than that.

Monarch is operating in a country with rich deposits and low labour costs and with a mining team which has vast experience in the world's big mining centres. The shares have been strong runners since their listing. Positive news on its exploration front and, in particular, about Bochinche would go a long way to justify a share price which has more than doubled since last July. At current market levels the group is capitalized at £73.5 million.

Monarch has $8.5 million cash but, because of the pace of exploration and development, a further fundraising exercise to take advantage of its various concession areas cannot be ruled out.

The stock market may not have to wait that long for further news.

Japanese act to meet UK capital rules

(AP-Dow Jones) – Japanese firms are dramatically increasing the amount of capital allotted to their London investment banking units, prompted by new British government securities regulations that took effect on Friday.

The new levels are still far smaller than the capitalization of the largest London subsidiaries of US houses. And because of the growing internationalization of markets, the nominal amount of capital set for any single financial centre may not be a meaningful measure of market muscle, some bankers argue.

Nevertheless, in contrast to terse responses by US firms to questions about the subject, many of the Japanese are eager to detail their capital deployment plans. One reason may be that they are continuing to expand in London as many US firms are either ambivalent about the international markets or are scaling down operations.

The complex new regulations try to impose requirements appropriate to the size and degree of diversification of the various investment banks that operate in Britain. They cover such matters as the risks of trading by a firm for its own account, with consideration given to hedges or lack of them. Some provisions took effect on Friday, while others are scheduled to be phased in through the rest of the year.

In response to the new regulations, some banks are making substantial changes in their approaches to capitalization.

The Industrial Bank of Japan recently doubled the size of its London unit's paid-in capital to £64 million. This, accompanied by another £60 million of reserves and subordinated loans, makes IBJ International among the largest-capitalized Japanese players in London, while Nikko Securities (Europe), one of the big four Japanese securities firms is increasing its capital to £55 million from £5 million.

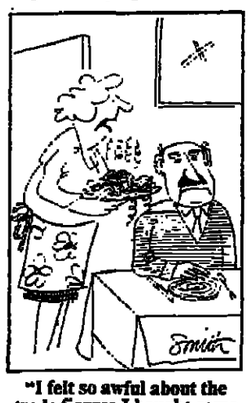
Although bankers generally consider Britain's new regulatory framework ably designed, some believe it is unclear how effective it will be.

Walker takes the floor

Former light-heavyweight boxer George Walker, who has since built himself an impressive reputation as a hard-hitting businessman, is just a big softie at heart. Walker, now chairman of publicly-quoted property and leisure group Brent Walker – capitalized at some £208 million – is, I hear, the proud possessor of the dancefloor where he first met his wife. He acquired it as part of the legendary Kursaal leisure complex in Southend, Essex, famous to all day-trippers of yesteryear, when Brent Walker bought the site for redevelopment. He now plans to reassemble the dancefloor at his new £50 million-plus Brighton marina development, and will, I am told, be asking his wife for the first dance. But a bashful Walker denies that his motives are purely sentimental. "It makes good business sense," he says. "The dancefloor was built in 1920 and still has the original springs underneath – the same thing today would cost me at least £120,000." But to him, whether he likes to admit it or not, this particular floor must really be priceless.

Rocky two

The pugilistic antics of two members of the City staff at the *Evening Standard* went ahead as planned last week, and raised £3,000 for a prize-fighters' charity and Great Ormond Street hospital. Much blood and sweat was shed by Stephen Hargrave and Peter Oborne, with ex-Rothschild Oborne winning on points after the three rounds. The referee was none other than "blond bomber" Billy Walker, with his tycoon brother – and dancefloor collector – George also at the ringside, keeping score.



"I felt so awful about the trade figures I bought some spaghetti made in Ipswich"

THE TIMES CITY DIARY

Brand new p/e ratios

Indignant at the stock market's current fad for companies with brand names – which, so far, has focused exclusively on the confectionery sector – Victor MacColl and his colleagues John Spicer and Ian Andrews, who run the brewery team at Kleinwort Grieveson, tell me that they are renaming themselves "the brand stand". "We were visiting breweries in Scotland last week and realized that our companies had more brand names than almost any others," MacColl says. Tongue in cheek – as ever – the irrepressible Scotsman says they have calculated the value of the companies they follow, giving them the same p/e that the bid from Nestlé put on Rowntree. Allied Lyons works out at 850p a share and Guinness at 720p – more than twice their current stock market valuations.

Enterprising

No sooner has Britoil been taken over than Enterprise Oil has stolen its best-known catchphrase. The Glasgow-based company always prided itself on being "the world's largest pure-exploration oil company" other big players are involved in both exploration and refining. But now that Britoil is part of BP, I see that Enterprise Oil, in its annual report, is describing itself as "the largest 'pure' exploration company operating in the North Sea". The claim is, however, somewhat premature. Britoil still legally exists as a separate company. One ex-Britoil executive pointed out yesterday that Enterprise was a company formed from assets given to it by the Government from the British Gas oil portfolio. "It was formed from second-hand assets and is now adopting a second-hand slogan," he said. Miaow . . .

Moving houses

The demise of some City firms and the expansion of others continues apace. Kleinwort Grieveson, among the Square Mile's best-run securities houses post-Big Bang, is, I hear, successfully pursuing its recruitment drive. The latest to sign a contract of employment there are Richard Wallace and Jeremy Allen, described by my source as "blue-eyed boys", from rival firm Sheppards. The duo handed in their notice on Friday. Wallace, aged 33, and a Winchester scholar, was a senior salesman who also led Sheppards' smaller companies team. Allen, an analyst, worked alongside him on the team. They will both join Kleinwort's smaller companies team – ranked fourth in last year's Extel survey but certain to rise – increasing its numbers to eight, with Wallace being a lead salesman. Both Wallace and Allen will, I am sure, be amused to learn that Sheppards is clearly so miffed by their departure that one of their former colleagues described them as just "junior trainees" when I sought confirmation of their resignation. Nothing, in reality, could be further from the truth.

● As an experiment, Ron Chapman, a disc jockey on a radio station in Dallas, Texas, asked his listeners to send in $20 bills, for no specific reason. Within days, station staff were stunned to receive a total of $243,120 from more than 12,000 individuals. They have decided to donate most of the money to charity.

Carol Leonard

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USM REVIEW

Misys switched on to A-Day with computer services

Few company chairmen can have been as exasperated by the stock market crash as Mr John Lomax of Misys, the supplier of computer systems to the financial services sector.

The Misys share price collapsed from 480p before the crash (against an introduction price of 95p in March last year) to 250p afterwards, without, Mr Lomax reveals, a single share in the company being sold.

"It was a simple markdown by the market-makers. Our shares are fairly tightly held in any case and we have since found out that not even one was sold," he said.

Misys, nevertheless, managed to walk away with the "Best Performing Share of 1987" prize at the USM awards dinner in March. It had been trailing in third or fourth place before the crash, but once the dust had settled after October 19, all its rivals for the top slot had disappeared.

This year should be another record as the company stands to benefit more than most from the Financial Services Act.

The company, traditionally, has been involved in supplying specialist computer systems to the insurance industry. Mr Lomax says it is now expanding into all other financial areas and he has improved the "on-line" management of the business, so that he is free to concentrate on acquisitions.

"There were no other companies in our position able to offer such a complete service to the financial intermediary, post-A-Day," said Mr Lomax.

"All four of our systems integrate, and lots of people take all four products. While our insurance side will continue to grow, I expect to see the Financial Services Act boosting the rest of our business in the last quarter.

"It's impossible to know whether it will be a real boom or whether it will just gradually take off. But the potential is enormous. After all, there are up to 15,000 independent intermediaries out there who will be registered under the Fimbra rules, and they are all potential customers.

"On top of that, there are accountants and lawyers who are also often called upon to give financial advice."

The company has four main products. "Cars," provides quotations for motor insurance from more than 100 insurance companies.

"Mortgage Finder" gives comparative illustrations of house finance from more than 100 banks, building societies and other sources, linked to some 40 companies for endowment cover.

"Hindsight" compares the performance of unit trusts, insurance funds and offshore funds on a daily basis, complete with graphics.

"Advisa" is a new system which guides the user through a counselling session with a client, producing illustrative and actual quotations for its modules of pensions, regular savings, protection insurance and lump-sum savings.

"Advisa is perhaps the most interesting system," said Mr Lomax, "because it makes logical decisions from the information it gets and also makes sure that the information given complies with the Financial Services Act.

"It identifies a client's needs clearly, then goes into selection mode and analyses the choices in terms of performance — that is, best advice — and it also tells you how much of the money you invest goes on administrative expenses and commission."

Mr Lomax, aged 39, and once a protégé of Lord Hanson — he was, at 25, a managing director of one of Hanson's companies, British Furnaces — adds that intermediaries in the US have discovered that computer systems are a powerful selling tool.

"In the US, sales increased by 50 per cent when they switched to selling on-screen," he said.

Carol Leonard

GILT-EDGED

Keys to sterling's strength

The recent behaviour of sterling, which has led directly to two base rate cuts and is heavily influencing the gilt-edged market, seems highly paradoxical. Very bad foreign trade figures for January and February and a near-universal view that the current account will move into large deficit this year have coincided, not with a fall, but with a marked strengthening of the pound.

Why is this? Why has sterling been so firm and why, over the past six months, has there been an increase of £7.25 billion in Britain's underlying foreign exchange reserves at a time when the published deficit on the current account reached *almost £3 billion? Why, in* other words, has there seemingly been a net capital inflow of £10 billion, of which two thirds was in the fourth quarter last year and a third in the first quarter this year?

One argument, which certainly has merit, is that the British interest rate became increasingly attractive to international investors after sterling was successfully tied to the mark last year.

It is also true that foreign flows have been attracted by a growing respect for the performance of the British economy and the almost unparalleled health of Britain's public finances. But sterling's strength has been powerfully supported by two other factors, neither of which has received sufficient attention.

The first, and probably the less important, of these factors is that the published trade and current account figures are inaccurate. They substantially overstate the size of the deficit.

This is not a problem unique to Britain. The discrepancies in the published current balances all over the world, the so-called "Black Hole", point to a generalized understating of surpluses and an overstatement of deficits.

An IMF report last autumn indicated that most of the misrecording was in the invisible account. With the ending of exchange controls in Britain in 1979, it would be surprising if the accuracy of Britain's invisible account data had not deteriorated.

In our view, the errors in Britain's accounts are likely to be greater than average, and the true surplus on invisibles is nearer to £900 million a month than its presently projected £600 million. Such an adjustment could account for about £1 billion of the apparent net capital inflow in each of the last two quarters.

The realistic conclusion is that the current account was probably in rough balance last year and has gone into deficit only very recently, and to a much smaller extent than is generally perceived. But a deficit is still a deficit and the strength of sterling must be attributed to real capital flows.

This brings us to the second, and more important, factor explaining sterling's strength, one whose importance has just been underlined by the release of new data. At the end of last September, the value of overseas equities held by British pension funds, insurance companies and unit and investment trusts amounted to more than £80 billion. In the last three months of 1987, no less than £5.5 billion of these overseas equities were sold, and the funds remitted to Britain.

Repatriation on this scale, triggered by the equity market crash last October, was undoubtedly an important reason for the healthy tone of sterling in the foreign exchange markets. An absolutely vital question for economic policy is: did the repatriation continue into 1988, and what are the prospects for the near future?

Even after last autumn's movements, and the fall in world equity markets, the value of British institutions' holdings of overseas equities was still about £60 billion; in spite of the rise in sterling they are worth as much as £65 billion at current market levels. This value is still very high, and it is certainly possible for there to have been sufficient sales in the first three months of this year to offset the true current account deficit, which we estimate at some £1 billion a quarter.

Our tentative evidence is that repatriation slowed down very sharply in the first quarter. It is likely to have initially continued to some degree, however, and could resume if prospects for a cure to the US imbalances do not improve and there is no fundamental action to offset dollar weakness until the new American president takes up the reins next year. Rising bond yields in the US or other market-induced action could create conditions for a repeat of last October's crash.

Other longer-term capital flows are also important. Over the past five years, overseas holdings of gilts have tripled, and now stand at more than £20 billion, about 15 per cent of the total market. Over the past 12 months alone, they have risen by no less than £5 billion. Furthermore, overseas holdings of British equities were nearly £35 billion at the end of 1987, having risen by a quarter during the year. The inflow into British assets continued in the fourth quarter, after the crash, and the current spate of overseas takeovers and the building-up of strategic holdings in British companies suggests that the inflow is continuing.

It has become a commonplace of analysis that exchange rates are now dominated by capital movements, not the trade balance. This is often taken to refer to hot money flows, but the build-up of equity investments abroad by British investors and in Britain by overseas investors clearly creates the potential for much greater volatility of capital flows which can be largely independent of relative interest rates.

These factors will be centrally important to economic policy and the gilt-edged market in the coming months.

If the repatriation flows reappear on a reasonable scale, sterling could well remain firm, even if the monthly trade figures revert to the higher deficits of January and February.

These capital flows, by their nature, are not especially sensitive to base rate changes, but their existence might force even lower base rates on the increasingly reluctant authorities.

What is rather more likely is that there will gradually be a greater awareness of the exact nature of the capital flows, which could lead to a change, at least in the emphasis of policy.

Foreign exchange intervention could well be increased, and be accompanied by more funding. This would undoubtedly weaken one of the main favourable factors for the gilt-edged market.

However, as one of the most likely triggers for a further favourable capital inflow is further weakness in world equity markets, it could occur at a time when there is a generally favourable background for bond markets. But it would make it much less easy for gilts to outperform significantly other world bond markets.

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FOREIGN EXCHANGES

Sterling index compared with 1975 was up at 78.4 (day's range 77.9-78.5).

STERLING SPOT AND FORWARD RATES

Market rates for April 29

	Range	Close	1 month	3 month
New Yrk	1.8725-1.8880	1.8780-1.8790	0.16-0.13pr	0.56-0.51pr
Montrl	2.3013-2.3204	2.3071-2.3102	0.08-0.22ds	0.26-0.43ds
Amstrdm	3.4997-3.5316	3.5278-3.5316	1¼-1pr	4-3¾pr
Brussels	65.28-65.95	65.56-65.75	18-6pr	46-32pr
Dublin	1.1716-1.1818	1.1716-1.1726	22-11pr	56-35pr
Copnhgn	12.0205-12.1238	12.1065-12.1224	¾-2¼ds	2¾-4¼ds
Frankft	3.1216-3.1495	3.1440-3.1475	1¾-1¼pr	4-3¾pr
Lisbon	255.41-258.47	256.16-257.24	52-98ds	183-284ds
Madrid	206.53-208.59	207.71-208.19	24-35ds	89-100ds
Milan	2322.37-2343.53	2339.05-2342.17	par-4¼ds	7-16ds
Oslo	11.5093-11.5993	11.5686-11.5822	5¼-6¼ds	15½-16½ds
Paris	10.6086-10.7050	10.6915-10.7028	⅛pr-⅜ds	⅛pr-⅜ds
Stckhlm	10.9572-11.0505	11.0201-11.0316	1¾-2¾ds	4¾-6ds
Tokyo	233.22-235.34	234.56-234.87	1-¾pr	2¾-2½pr
Vienna	21.95-22.15	22.11-22.14	8½-7¾pr	24¾-21¾pr
Zurich	2.5833-2.6203	2.6170-2.6203	1¾-1¼ds	4¼-3¼ds

Premium = pr. Discount = ds.

OTHER STERLING RATES

Argentina austral*	13.9305-14.0321
Australia dollar	2.4776-2.4807
Bahrain dinar	0.7085-0.7125
Brazil cruzado *	254.64-256.05
Cyprus pound	0.8320-0.8420
Finland marka	7.4875-7.5275
Greece drachma	251.00-253.00
Hong Kong dollar	14.7090-14.7188
India rupee	24.78-24.96
Kuwait dinar KD	0.5130-0.5170
Malaysia dollar	4.8409-4.8454
Mexico peso	4220-4320
New Zealand dollar	2.7981-2.8018
Saudi Arabia riyal	7.0450-7.0850
Singapore dollar	3.7664-3.7704
S Africa rand (fin)	5.4025-5.4850
S Africa rand (com)	4.0477-4.0537
U A E dirham	6.90-6.94

*Lloyds Bank. Rates supplied by Extel and Barclays Bank HOFEX

DOLLAR SPOT RATES

Ireland	1.5970-1.5985	Denmark	6.4300-6.4350
Singapore	2.0015-2.0025	W Germany	1.8710-1.8720
Malaysia	2.5725-2.5735	Switzerland	1.3907-1.3917
Australia	1.3166-1.3178	Netherlands	1.8740-1.8750
Canada	1.2275-1.2285	France	5.6800-5.6830
Sweden	5.8570-5.8620	Japan	124.75-124.85
Norway	6.1525-6.1575	Italy	1243.0-1245.0
		Belgium (Com)	34.95-35.00
		Hong Kong	7.8165-7.8175
		Portugal	136.50-136.90
		Spain	110.30-110.40
		Austria	11.72-11.73

Rates supplied by Barclays Bank HOFEX and Extel.

MONEY MARKETS

Base Rates %: Clearing Banks 8 Finance Hse 9
Discount Market Loans %
Overnight High: 8⅛ Low 6 Week fixed: 7⅛
Treasury Bills (Discount %)
Buying: 2 mth – 7⅝ 3 mth – 7⅛
Selling: 2 mth – $7^{13}/_{16}$ 3 mth – $7^{13}/_{16}$
Prime Bank Bills (Discount %): 1 mth: $7^{29}/_{32}$-$7^{27}/_{32}$ 2 mth: $7^{29}/_{32}$-$7^{27}/_{32}$ 3 mth: $7^{28}/_{32}$-$7^{27}/_{32}$ 6 mth $8^{1}/_{16}$-$8^{1}/_{16}$
Trade Bills (Discount %): 1 mth: 8⅛ 2 mth: 8⅛ 3 mth: 8⅛ 6 mth 8⅛
Interbank (%). Overnight: open 8 close 8⅛
1 week: 7½-7¼ 1 mth: 8⅛-8 3 mth: $8^{1}/_{16}$-$8^{1}/_{16}$
6 mth: 8⅛-8⅛ 9 mth: $8^{1}/_{16}$-$8^{1}/_{16}$ 12 mth: $8^{1}/_{16}$-8
Local Authority Deposits (%)
2 day: 7⅝ 7 day: 7⅛ 1 mth: 8⅛
3 mth: 8⅛ 6 mth: 8⅛ 12 mth: 9¼
Local Authority Bonds (%)
1 mth: 8⅜-8¼ 2 mth: 8⅜-8⅜ 3 mth: $8^{3}/_{16}$-$8^{1}/_{16}$
6 mth: 8⅜-8⅜ 9 mth: $9^{1}/_{16}$-$8^{15}/_{16}$ 12 mth: 9⅛-9¼
Sterling CDs (%): 1 mth: $8^{1}/_{32}$-$7^{15}/_{16}$ 3 mth: 8¼-8¼ 6 mth: $8^{3}/_{16}$-$8^{1}/_{16}$ 12 mth $8^{15}/_{16}$-$8^{13}/_{16}$
Dollar CDs (%): 1 mth: 7.00-6.95 3 mth: 7.15-7.10 6 mth: 7.45-7.40 12 mth 7.45-7.40

TREASURY BILLS

Applcts: £377.8m — allotted: £100m
Bids: £98.040% — received: 14%
Last week: £98.055% — received: 48%
Avge rate: £7.8262% — last wk £7.6536%
Next week: £100m — replace £100m

EURO MONEY DEPOSITS %

Currency	7 day	1 mth	3 mth	6 mth
Dollar:	6⅛-8⅛	$7^{1}/_{16}$-$6^{15}/_{16}$	$7^{1}/_{16}$-$7^{1}/_{16}$	$7^{1}/_{16}$-$7^{1}/_{16}$
Call: 6⅜-5⅝				
Deutschemark:	3⅜-3¼	$3^{7}/_{16}$-$3^{5}/_{16}$	3⅜-3⅜	$3^{11}/_{16}$-$3^{9}/_{16}$
Call: 3½-2½				
French Franc:	$7^{13}/_{16}$-$7^{11}/_{16}$	$8^{5}/_{16}$-$8^{1}/_{16}$	8⅝-8¼	8⅝-8⅜
Call: 7¼-6¾				
Swiss Franc:	2¾-1¾	2¼-2¼	$2^{15}/_{16}$-$2^{13}/_{16}$	2⅝-2⅜
Call: 1⅜-⅛				
Yen:	$3^{13}/_{16}$-$3^{11}/_{16}$	3⅜-3⅜	$4^{1}/_{16}$-$3^{15}/_{16}$	4¼-4⅛
Call: 3¼-2¼				

BOARD MEETINGS

TODAY — Interims: Fundinvest, Keystone Investment, MMT Computing, SAC International, Trafalgar House (expected May 4). **Finals:** Conrad Holdings, CSL Corporation, Delyn Packaging, Forward Group, Glamar Group, Guidehouse Group, InfraRed Associates, London Finance and Investment, London United Investments, Moss Bros (amended), Usher-Walker.

TOMORROW — Interims: American General Corpn (second quarter), Anglo American Coal Corpn (expected May 5), Cronite Group, Royal Bank of Scotland. **Finals:** CCA Galleries, Comprehensive Financial Services, Corton Beach, TDS Circuits.

THURSDAY — Interims: Lexicon Inc (expected May 6), Rand Mines, Wellcome PLC. **Finals:** Henry Boot & Sons, Caparo Industries, Highcroft Investment Trust, Hopkinsons Holdings, MIL Research Group, Mezzanine Capital & Income Trust 2001, Select Appointments.

FRIDAY — Interims: None announced. **Finals:** Eagle Trust (amended).

BASE LENDING RATES

ABN	8.00%
Adam & Company	8.00%
BCCI	8.00%
Consolidated Crds	8.00%
Co-operative Bank	8.00%
C. Hoare & Co	8.00%
Hong Kong & Shanghai	8.00%
Lloyds Bank	8.00%
Nat Westminster	8.00%
Royal Bank of Scotland	8.00%
TSB	8.00%
Citibank NA	8.00%

APPOINTMENTS

Crosslee: Miss Helen Haigh has been appointed a financial controller.

Matthey Electronics: Mr Phil Atkins has joined as United Kingdom and international sales manager.

Mowlem Building: Mr Ashley Boddy and Mr John Jubb have joined the company as contract directors. Mr Boddy is responsible for building operations in the London area. Mr Jubb has responsibilities for the northern Home Counties region.

Ince & Co: Mr David Steward has been taken into partnership.

Magnetic Materials Group: Mr Geoffrey Nithsdale becomes a director.

UNLISTED SECURITIES

Capitalisation £	Company	Price last Friday	Chge on week	Gross div pence	Div Yld %	P/E
7,577,000	A & M Gp	11½	+1	..	..	42.6
28.8m	ASD	333	●+10	13.0	3.9	9.4
6,695,000	ATA Selection	98	●-3	2.5	4.8	13.8
18.2m	Aber Am Pet	36	+4	..	..	..
6,120,000	Aberdeen Stk Hse	61	..	1.8e	3.1	..
——	Access Satellite	..	..	4.41	..	..
17.2m	Acorn Comp	39	-1	..	..	24.3
25.6m	Apple Group	79	..	..	..	..
10.8m	Alrsprung	178	+8	8.5	4.8	9.5
3,127,000	Ald Insurance	98	●-3	5.5	5.6	10.8
7,134,000	Ald Restaurants	83	●-3	1.7	2.1	..
30.6m	Amer Bus Sys	82	..	2.2	2.7	36.3
2,891,000	Amer Dist	12½	-½	..	..	..
11.3m	Andor	193	● ..	4.8	2.5	16.8
38.8m	App Holographics	284	+22	..	..	..
118.1m	Arran Energy	73	+1	..	..	..
31.0m	Ashtead	450	+20	4.7	0.9	40.2
42.6m	Aspen Comms	432	●+2	7.0p	1.8	18.9
136.8m	Aspray	258	-5	5.5	2.2	14.4
4,293,000	Assoc Energy	44	..	..	..	84.6
7,301,000	Assoc Hunting	148	+10	2.7p	1.8	42.3
243.0m	Atlantic Sec	75	+1	..	..	..
17.7m	Atlas Equipment	220	+7	9.5	4.4	11.9
6,917,000	Automagic	116	● ..	8.5	7.7	17.7
3,886,000	BBG Design	48	..	2.1	4.4	7.7
10.8m	BCE	38	-1	1.4	3.7	15.3
4,117,000	BTS Gp	98	..	5.8	7.2	18.2
8,838,000	BWD	61	..	5.1	8.4	7.6
——	Bamerco	185	..	6.9	3.7	..
4,180,000	Bedford (William)	86	..	6.4	7.5	8.2
5,566,000	Bensons Crisps	75	..	6.7	8.9	14.5
5,620,000	Berry Birch & Noble	92	●+2	6.2	6.7	8.8
15,500,000	BestAllSaversees	98	●-2	5.8	5.9	12.9
4,701,000	Bio Isolates	27	..	..	..	..
9,180,000	Biowatchenics	37	-1	..	..	..
2,956,000	Blanchards	43	..	..	..	6.9
22.2m	Blenheim Exhib	670	● ..	7.3	1.8	20.1
22.2m	Blundell Toys	92	+2	5.5	3.1	11.0
10.8m	Bonded Laminates	135	●+15	..	4.1	33.1
3,440,000	Border TV	34	-1	2.0	5.9	8.7
55.1m	Borland	112	+1	..	..	..
6,200,000	Bowater	12½	+½	2.1	14.9	52.1
4,725,000	Br Bloodstock	136	+5	12.1	8.5	10.1
17.9m	Br Island	98	●+2	2.7	2.8	13.3
14.0m	Broad St	39	+2	2.8	6.7	15.7
37.2m	Brookmount	46	+2	5.1	1.7	18.4
2,733,000	Brydon (Edenk)	157	+2	2.7	2.5	27.4
——	Bula Resources	5½	..	..	..	..
20.0m	Burford	280	+20	6.4	0.1	93.1
8,858,000	CCA Galleries	98	..	3.5	4.2	12.5
25.2m	CCF	98	..	4.1	2.2	9.2
19.4m	CML Micro	113	-5	..	..	..
11.8m	CPU Comp	72	..	..	..	21.3
10.6m	CSL Corp	77	+11	..	..	..
——	Camberley Oil	210	..	..	..	..
7,830,000	Camotech	108	..	3.3	3.0	30.1
10.9m	Cap & Regional	68	..	0.4	0.4	33.8
1,766,000	Carron Phoenix	160	-5	..	..	..
7,917,000	Castle Comm	219	●-2	9.5	4.4	15.5
30.1m	Cellnet	92	●-1	0.1	0.2	12.7
10.6m	Central Motor	100	-5	3.4b	3.4	15.5
37.3m	Chancery Secs	355	+12	5.5	2.7	22.2
15.1m	Chelsea Man	140	+5	4.0	2.9	14.6
1,394,000	Chem Methods	28	..	..	..	..
2,116,000	Chiltern	70	..	..	..	9.2
19.7m	Chrysalis	270	● ..	0.7	1.0	28.2
8,864,000	Cinexpress	125	-5	2.8	2.1	8.2
82.1m	City Voyager	148	..	3.7	2.5	16.0
5,787,000	Clogau Gold	120	+1	..	..	..
54.1m	Gulf Oil Hdgs	109	+10	..	..	..
20.6m	Coated Electrodes	57	-5	5.5	6.9	9.4
21.1m	Cobra Emerald	57	..	..	..	..
3,222,000	Colorgen Inc	156	..	..	..	..
21.7m	Colorgraphic	198	● ..	8.2	5.1	15.4
29.4m	Colourvision	220	+22	4.5	2.0	29.4
8,700,000	Cox of Tavistock	91	..	4.1	4.5	11.0
8,345,000	Comp Financial	191	..	8.4	1.8	20.9
12.5m	Composit	48	● ..	..	..	8.0
25.7m	Cons Tom Invs	61	+4	..	..	94.2
10.1m	Cont Microwave	100	..	4.0	2.1	15.0
37.5m	Cook (DC)	155	-1	3.9	2.5	..
13.8m	Copysave	128	..	2.2	2.1	15.0
17.7m	Corporate Prop	69	+5	1.0	1.5	34.3
8,306,000	Cowells	113	●-3	4.8	4.2	10.5
8,815,000	Cranborne	98	..	4.9	1.5	20.3
7,901,000	Cranbrook	98	..	2.7	2.9	42.8
6,120,000	Cranswick	91	+5	7.8	8.4	8.7
5,250,000	Croston Lodge	191	..	3.4	3.7	12.7
8,567,000	Crowglade Labs	98	..	5.5	2.8	18.1
6,127,000	Crown TV Prods	85	..	..	..	24.6
7,885,000	Dawes (DY)	145	..	5.5	3.8	11.4
9,955,000	Dean & Dawes	131	● ..	5.5	4.2	15.1
2,845,000	Dees (Anstey)	98	..	..	..	36.1
15.4m	De Morgan	53	..	2.3	2.5	..
3,732,000	Delmar	98	+1	3.5	3.7	10.2
6,665,000	Dimmex Elec	98	+10	5.6	2.5	8.5
64.6m	Dewey Warren	124	+8	..	..	8.4
10.6m	Dialeze	288	● ..	..	4.1	15.1
28.5m	Dolphin Packaging	158	+12	..	2.7	15.8
24.4m	Dowty	74	..	1.9	2.5	20.3
9,580,000	Dunton	98	..	6.5	6.6	9.3
4,589,000	Dudley Jenkins	105	-1	..	3.7	16.2
5,388,000	Eadie	50	-1	2.1	4.2	31.1
6,412,000	Ealing Elect Optics	91	●+5	2.1	3.4	7.8
——	Ecobric	39	..	..	..	..
12.0m	Econ Forestry	98	+1	..	4.1	12.1
3,895,000	Econ Oil & Gas	49	+1	..	..	72.5
27.9m	Elcridge Pope 'A'	364	+9	10.6	2.9	14.9
15.7m	Electron House	143	+1	5.6	3.8	79.9
6,839,000	Entertainment Prod	27½	..	..	..	12.3
24.2m	Envirt	169	●-1	6.6	3.9	13.8
13.8m	Eve Construction	148	..	6.9	4.7	10.1
42.5m	Explorers Hdgs	37½	..	..	..	..
14.5m	F & H Group	69	+1	..	..	21.9
5,925,000	Fairway London	75	+2	4.1	5.5	12.5
6,002,000	Feedback	71	..	3.4	4.8	18.8
——	Felmm Mining	22	-½	..	..	..
5,577,000	FergusonA	98	..	..	..	1.8
139.5m	Fields (Mrs)	93	..	..	..	..
21.6m	Flotex	51	●+5	4.5	8.9	14.1
79.1m	Fortsdod	48	+3	..	..	..
21.4m	Fletcher Deanys	139	..	..	..	9.1
10.1m	Flextech	46	-½	..	..	8.1
31.4m	Flogas	160	..	..	..	..
16.9m	Floyd Oil	38	+2	..	..	13.1
84.1m	Ford Sellar	112	+17	2.7	2.4	..
14.1m	Forward Gp	165	+17	3.0	1.5	24.2
15.1m	Fosters	98	+12	5.2	4.6	12.1
22.2m	French Conn	140	●-2	7.2	5.1	8.4
60.9m	Fuller Smith 'A'	508	+3	7.5	1.5	20.7
9,258,000	GWR Gp	355	+10	..	..	..
5,288,000	GC Flooring	98	●+3	2.7	4.8	10.4
16.9m	Gabbott	138	● ..	4.9	3.6	12.1
8,998,000	Gardner (DC)	158	-5	4.1	2.7	17.8
7,530,000	Gee (Cecil)	85	+4	1.7	2.0	21.3
6,219,000	Gibbon Lyons	155	..	5.7	3.7	11.1
11.6m	Gibbs Mew	211	..	5.5	2.6	18.0
5,437,000	Global Gp	95	●+4	4.1	4.3	12.6
8,804,000	Godwin Warren	120	+1	3.0	2.5	17.1
22.1m	Goodhead Print	171	+3	5.5	3.2	13.5
11.1m	Grahame Motor Gp	105	+5	1.7	1.6	..
9,800,000	Granyte Surface	78	..	3.5	5.1	10.8
23.7m	Grant Southern	98	..	5.5	5.6	12.8
15.9m	Green (Ernest)	208	●-4	5.8	2.8	15.1
2,100,000	Greenwich Cable	30	..	..	..	..
14.9m	Guidecourse	65	+5	..	..	..
6,695,000	Halls Homes	168	●+9	5.1	2.8	22.5
8,732,000	Hampson Homecare	98	●+2	2.5	2.8	10.9
9,234,000	Handley Walker	145	+4	4.5	3.1	16.3
16.1m	Harmony Leisure	62	..	0.1	0.2	..
12.0m	Hartfield Estates	160	+10	2.1	1.3	..
63.2m	Hawthorn Leslie	40	+1	0.9	2.3	40.0
9,851,000	Health Care	95	-1	1.2	1.2	18.5
3,737,000	Heavetex	729	..	17.0	2.4	19.4
6,988,000	Do 'A' LV	663	+3	17.0	2.6	17.9
7,078,000	Hewetson	103	+7	3.7	3.5	17.4
11.8m	Hey & Croft	154	-2	8.3	3.4	11.3
24.1m	Highland Part	156	..	..	..	..
5,438,000	Hills Ergonom	48	..	2.7	5.6	11.4
15.0m	Hobson	44	..	..	..	68.4
42.0m	Hodgson	210	+4	3.2	1.5	18.5
4,220,000	Holders Tech	144	+3	8.2	5.7	..
653.4m	Holmes Protection	118	●+24	..	..	..
12.5m	Honeysuckle Gp	155	+5	5.5	3.6	14.7
11.3m	Hornby	141	●+5	5.5	3.9	10.2
81.1m	Hughes Food	100	-3	0.7	0.7	38.5
13.8m	Hughes (HT)	75	-1	..	..	..
8,087,000	Humbrol Elec	27	..	..	..	..
4,827,000	Huntleigh Tech	57	+½	0.7	1.2	39.8
3,371,000	INSTEM	75	..	3.4	4.5	16.3
——	Image Storage	40	..	..	..	..
6,341,000	Imbert	9½	..	..	..	1.2
2,820,000	InfraRed	43	+½	..	..	..
7,178,000	Interscrope Tech	138	● ..	8.8	6.4	5.9
21.8m	Interfilm Express	442	..	8.5	2.4	25.0
22.6m	Israel (Anglo)	287	-2½	11.5	3.9	27.2
33.5m	Jaques Vert	357	..	11.5	3.2	13.1
2,240,000	Jobserve	14	..	..	..	0.5
11.6m	Johnson Fry	113	+1	3.4	3.0	13.7
11.5m	Johnstones Paints	110	..	5.5	5.0	9.8
10.0m	KSB Elec	192	..	4.1	2.1	18.5
4,950,000	Just Rubber	65	..	2.7	4.1	11.3
39.7m	Kenyon Secs	268	..	8.2	3.1	50.3
7,925,000	Kewill Systems	133	..	2.1	1.6	16.7
2,175,000	Kiwi-Telerob	45	..	1.8	4.0	10.1
9,380,000	Knobs & Knockers	113	-½	1.5	1.4	..
38.0m	Kunick	39	-½	1.4	3.6	..
5,418,000	LPA Ind	99	..	4.1	6.9	12.0
10.3m	Laidlaw Thomson	152	● ..	6.8	4.3	11.8
20.0m	LBMS Plc	165	..	1.4	0.8	..
20.2m	Lewmar	86	..	3.5	4.1	10.2
58.6m	Local Lon Gp	495	..	10.0	2.0	25.4
7,217,000	Lodge Cars	105	..	3.5	3.6	15.0
9,346,000	Lon & Clydesde	103	..	7.8	7.6	12.0
165.0m	Lon Forfaiting	165	●+5	8.9	5.4	12.1
13.8m	Lorlin Elecs	219	+84	4.8	2.2	18.1
7,281,000	Lysander Pet	28	+1	..	..	..
5,880,000	M5 Cash & Carry	70	-2	5.2	7.4	9.7
12.0m	MMT Comp	118	..	1.5	1.3	17.3
12.9m	MTL Instruments	75	+1	..	..	11.4
9,796,000	McLachlan & Har	120	● ..	11.0	4.5	10.2
12.3m	Magnetic Materials	70	● ..	4.0	5.7	9.3
6,565,000	Mainmet	170	..	2.4	1.4	29.8
12.8m	March Gp	108	..	5.8	5.4	11.8
20.0m	Marcol Gp	140	● -1	1.0	0.7	..
40.0m	Marks Dev	275	+17	..	..	..
22.1m	Martin (Ronald)	215	+15	8.0	2.8	14.7
2,690,000	Maxiprint	19	+1	..	..	..
14.0m	Maybom	74	● -1	4.8	6.5	8.8
5,464,000	Memory Comp	22	..	..	..	..
2,626,000	Memcom Int Hdgs	28	+2	..	..	1.7
24.8m	Memver-Simm	225	..	4.7	2.1	19.4
21.8m	Merc Marf New	79	..	..	..	..
15.8m	Merrydown Wine	373	..	7.5	2.0	21.2
11.7m	Metal Bulletin	133	..	6

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No.	Company	Group	Gain or loss
1	RBH Group	Property	
2	Tomkinsons	Textiles	
3	Barton Transport	Industrials A-D	
4	Time Products	Drapery,Stores	
5	ADT (aa)	Industrials A-D	
6	Lee (Arthur)	Industrials L-R	
7	Microgen	Electricals	
8	Ulster TV	Cinemas,TV	
9	McAlpine (Alfred)	Building,Roads	
10	Eidbro	Industrials E-K	
11	APV	Industrials A-D	
12	Auto Sec	Electricals	
13	Cannon St	Industrials A-D	
14	Alexon	Drapery,Stores	
15	Smith (WH) 'A' (aa)	Drapery,Stores	
16	Woolworth (aa)	Drapery,Stores	
17	Booth Inds	Industrials A-D	
18	Noble & Lund	Industrials L-R	
19	Lloyds (aa)	Banks,Discount	
20	Finlan Gp	Building,Roads	
21	FKB	Paper,Print,Adv	
22	Yellowhammer	Paper,Print,Adv	
23	Ferranti (aa)	Electricals	
24	Bolton	Textiles	
25	Pilkington (aa)	Industrials L-R	
26	Lancaster	Motors,Aircraft	
27	Debenham Tewson	Property	
28	Aurora	Industrials A-D	
29	Gold Greenless	Paper,Print,Adv	
30	Provident	Banks,Discount	
31	Chesterfield	Property	
32	Conder Grp	Building,Roads	
33	Pearson (aa)	Industrials L-R	
34	Kode	Electricals	
35	Sketchley	Industrials S-Z	
36	Greycoat	Property	
37	Drummond	Textiles	
38	Plysu	Chemicals,Plas	
39	Devenish (JA)	Breweries	
40	FH Fyffes	Foods	
41	Cairn Milling	Foods	
42	Yale & Valor	Industrials S-Z	
43	Merlin Intl	Property	
44	Munton	Textiles	

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STOCK EXCHANGE PRICES

Capitalization and change on week

(Current market price multiplied by the number of shares in issue for the stock quoted)
ACCOUNT DAYS: Dealings began April 25. Dealings end May 6. §Contango day May 9. Settlement day May 16.
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BREWERIES

Capitalization £	Company	Price last Friday	Chge on week	Gross div pence	Div Yld %	P/E
84.2m	Ottoman	£168½	..	800	4.7	5.5
178.5m	Provident	381	+6	21.9	6.1	10.1
30.5m	Res Bros	78	●-11	2.4	3.1	14.9
453.5m	Rothschild (J) Hld	160	-3	8.2	5.1	8.5
1,023.2m	Rvl Bk Scot (aa)	348	+15	17.4	5.0	6.8
219.6m	Schroders	875	●-25	22.6	2.6	11.0
585.5m	Stand Chart (aa)	428	●-10	48.0	11.2	5.3
1,530.0m	TSB (aa)	102	●+2	5.3	5.2	8.8
192.5m	Union	663	..	39.5	7.0	12.7
568.4m	Warburg SG	323	..	14.4	4.5	..
51.4m	Do 6% 'A'	121	●+4	8.2	6.8	..
1,500.2m	Wells Fargo	628½	●+½	..	..	..
37.6m	Wintrust	448	●..	8.8	2.0	17.6

BUILDING, ROADS

92.9m	Abbey	240	+10	..	..	..
254.5m	Amec	395	-2	17.8	4.5	11.4
60.1m	Anglo Sec	421	-5	27	6.4	11.6
51.0m	Anglo Utd	41	..	1.4	3.4	75.9
6,650.0m	Arnolds	133	+15	4.3	3.2	8.4
172.6m	Amwoods	298	+8	8.9	3.0	16.9
1,140.5m	BPB Ind (aa)	290	..	9.6	3.3	12.0
82.8m	Baggeridge Brick	310	-5	4.5	1.5	21.9
3,449.0m	Bailey (Bam) Constr	66	●-2	1.6	2.9	13.7
335.3m	Barratt Devs	188	..	12.6	6.7	13.2
63.9m	Bellway	251	+10	11.0	4.3	12.5
34.4m	Bellwinch	111	+3	2.9	2.6	10.0
149.9m	Berkeley Gp	356	-6	3.6	1.0	20.8
15.0m	Best Bros	100	..	4.6	4.6	10.9
44.4m	Blockleys	370	●-5	8.9	2.4	20.2
1,985.6m	Blue Circle (aa)	420	●-20	29.6	4.9	8.8
32.3m	Breedon PLC	230	f	4.7	3.8	24.4
22.1m	Br Dredging	130	●+1	6.7	3.8	20.8
12.3m	Brown & Jackson	36	-1	0.1	0.3	21.2
280.3m	Bryant	140	..	4.4	3.1	16.6
0,135.0m	Burnen & Hallam	9½	●+½	..	..	1.0
279.5m	CRH	113	●+2	..	..	..
5,775.0m	Cakebread Robey	110	..	5.2	4.7	13.8
168.8m	Caradon	314	-5	10.3b	3.3	18.3
108.2m	Church Charles	123	-1	1.4	1.1	13.4
25.3m	Concer (Sp)	338	●+5	7.5	2.2	11.8
7,543.0m	Copson PLC	130	+1	2.4	1.8	71.0
517.0m	Costain	310	+1	13.2	4.3	12.1
112.3m	Countryside	312	+6	2.6	0.8	15.2
168.3m	Crest Nicholson	324	-4	7.7	2.4	25.5
10.5m	Crosby James	96	●-7	2.4	2.5	..
42.0m	Douglas (RM)	277	-1	4.3b	1.6	21.7
37.5m	Ennt	97	●+1	4.1	4.2	11.5
26.9m	Federated Hsg	290	-6	8.8	2.4	10.5
21.0m	Finlan Gp	82	+7	6.2b	7.6	12.3
40.9m	Gahford	61	..	3.8	6.2	13.6
4,002.0m	Gibbs & Dandy Ord	230	●..	3.6	1.6	10.3
48.0m	Gleeson (MJ)	480	-10	9.5	2.0	11.5
25.5m	Harrison Ind	215	-3	8.2	3.8	13.3
83.7m	Henderson	371	..	10.3	2.8	34.2
130.8m	Hewden-Stuart	139	-3	3.4	2.4	11.1
149.3m	Heywood Williams	302	-3	13.0	4.3	11.0
111.2m	Higgs & Hill	331	●-8	12.3	3.7	10.4
13.3m	Howard Hogg	53	-2	1.9	3.6	9.7
349.6m	Ibstock Johnsen	178	●-8	5.5	3.1	18.4
10.7m	James (J) & Sons	132	f ..	2.4	1.8	27.2
140.7m	Lang (J)	316	●-2	9.6	3.0	10.7
134.5m	Do 'A'	318	●-2	9.6	3.0	9.3
68.9m	Lawrence (Walter)	40	..	6.5	4.3	8.8
35.0m	Lilley (FJC)	40	+1	..	..	5.2
142.1m	Lovell (YJ)	251	-1	6.9	2.7	12.4
444.4m	Magnet (aa)	340	+10	8.6	3.5	17.5
55.6m	Manders	274	●-4	15.1	4.9	20.9
408.9m	Marley	148	●..	6.9	4.7	10.4
107.5m	Marshalls (Halifax)	260	..	6.9	3.4	17.7
23.8m	Maunders (J)	98	●+1	2.9	3.0	15.9
152.0m	McAlpine (Alfred)	343	+8	21.9	6.1	13.7
247.3m	McCarthy & S	493	..	9.3	2.1	22.7
369.0m	Meyer Int	380	●+1	9.9	2.6	12.4
5,160.0m	Miller (Stanley)	86	●+3	1.7	2.0	60.1
345.0m	Mowlem (John)	405	-4	23.6	5.8	10.6
129.7m	Newarthill	213½	..	12.9	6.0	16.5
113.3m	Newman Tonks	178	●-5	10.6	5.9	13.0
128.3m	Persimmon	170	●-6	4.1b	2.4	13.7
13.3m	Phoenix Timber	96	..	3.4	3.6	11.3
7,540.0m	Pochins	725	●..	21.5	2.9	8.0
900.8m	RMC Gp (aa)	472	●-15	15.1	3.2	11.2
127.0m	Rans Ind	100	+2	2.7	2.7	20.4
1,136.3m	Redland (aa)	430	-3	18.7	4.5	11.9
85.2m	Ribbonid	150	+2	5.8	3.9	10.5
364.6m	Rugby Group	255	●+1	11.6	4.5	11.4
106.7m	Sandell Perkins	243	+8	6.3	2.6	15.9
46.0m	Sharpe & Fisher	232	●+12	5.5	2.4	15.1
12.5m	Smart (J)	125	+5	7.2	5.8	15.7
424.2m	Sneddy	341	..	12.7	3.7	11.8
1,732.5m	Tarmac (aa)	244	+3	9.9	4.1	10.4
662.4m	Taylor Woodrow	422	●-8	14.4	3.4	13.8
72.0m	Tilbury Group	282	●-4	12.6	3.5	11.7
121.3m	Travis & Arnold	344	-3	12.6	3.6	14.0
9,556.0m	Trent	139	+3	16	11.2	20.4
20.7m	Turriff	324	●+5	13.7	4.2	10.5
54.5m	Vibroplant	702	+20	17.7	2.5	23.5
38.9m	Ward Group	177	+4	5.9	3.3	19.9
86.2m	Ward Hldgs	164	..	3.3	2.0	10.5
6,707.0m	Warrington	113	-2	..	..	12.9
64.4m	Watts Blake	283	●-1	9.4	3.1	15.0
87.0m	Westbury	248	-5	7.5	3.0	13.7
29.5m	Wiggins	190	..	7.1	3.7	15.1
136.7m	Wilson Bowden	265	..	5.8	2.8	11.2
352.4m	Wilson (Connolly)	383	+12	9.5	2.5	13.3
434.4m	Wimpey G (aa)	268	●..	9.3	3.5	10.7
13.6m	YRM	114	-2	3.3	2.9	12.1

BUILDING, ROADS (continued)

14.8m	Arlen	135	-10	3.4b	2.5	12.2
301.8m	Atlantic Comp	347	●-3	9.6	2.8	8.4
5,888.0m	Audio Fidelity	119	-3	0.7	0.6	9.3
181.0m	Auto Sec	228	●+4	3.0	1.3	14.2
7,245.0m	Beacon Gp	42	●-1	..	..	..
43.9m	Bennett & Fountain	34	-1	1.0	2.9	17.3
715.0m	BICC (aa)	313	●-14	17.8	5.7	14.4
119.9m	BSR	71	●-2	3.0	4.2	7.5
39.5m	Black	175	-7	5.6	3.3	12.7
55.1m	Borland	112	+1	..	..	..
258.5m	Bowthorpe	186	-4	4.5b	2.7	12.8
110.9m	Brayhead Society	192	●-2	2.7	1.4	15.8
14,945.0m	Br Telecom (aa)	248½	+1½	12.1	4.9	11.9
83.0m	Brown Boveri Kent	83	-1	4.1	4.9	21.0
4,160.0m	Bulgin (AF) 'A'	18	+1	0.1	0.6	27.1
122.0m	CAP Group	301	+1	2.6	0.9	28.9
56.0m	CASE	86	+5	0.1	0.1	7.2
3,441.0m	Cable Wireless (aa)	327	●+20	2.4	0.7	16.8
93.8m	Cambridge Elec	342	●+3	11.6	4.8	12.2
41.0m	Cambridge Instr	42	+2	1.0	2.4	4.6
119.3m	Chloride	51	-1	2.6	5.1	13.8
184.7m	Cray Elect	209	+2	3.7	1.8	12.6
47.7m	Crystalate	153	-11	8.0	5.2	7.4
4,725.0m	DDT Group	73	+11	1.6	2.2	12.9
10.7m	Dale Elec	80	..	5.1	6.4	16.5
1,980.0m	Dataspeed	35	-2	1.9	5.4	12.4
1,728.0m	Do 'A'	48	●..	1.9	4.0	10.9
55.7m	Domino	278	-7	3.8	1.4	13.8
50.0m	Dowding & Mills	58	●-1	2.5	4.3	14.3
72.4m	Dubilier	188	●-1	4.8	2.4	10.9
424.0m	Electrocomponents	268	●..	5.3	2.5	16.2
9,268.000	Elec Data Process	108	●..	2.9	2.7	9.0
1,806.000	Electronic Mach	73	+5	12	1.9	89.0
108.4m	Emess	428	●+3	11.0	2.6	15.9
97.5m	Euromarm	343	+1	8.2	2.4	12.5
543.4m	FKI Babcock (aa)	121	..	2.2	1.8	16.4
197.7m	Farnell Elect	157	-19	4.8	3.1	12.0
628.0m	Ferranti (aa)	84	+6	2.6	3.3	11.7
20.3m	Forward Tech	50	●+1	1.4	2.3	8.5
4,029.0m	GEC (aa)	151	-1	7.7	5.1	9.7
11.2m	Harland Simon	204	+3	2.6b	1.3	26.4
4,901.000	Highland Elect	56	+4	3.4	6.1	8.3
96.0m	Hoskyns Gp	282	-1	2.9	1.1	23.5
13.6m	ITL Gp	46	-1	2.7	5.9	..
31.4m	Jones Stroud	120	●-5	4.2	3.5	11.1
21.4m	Kode	380	●+3	21.2	5.6	12.4
20.5m	Lec Refrigeration	340	●+12	18.5	5.4	9.4
140.3m	Logica	284	+12	2.6	0.9	19.9
811.5m	Micro 4	263	●+14	4.5	1.7	25.4
63.6m	Memec	236	●+1	5.7	2.4	15.4
48.0m	MBS	72	-3	1.4	1.9	15.0
81.6m	Microfilm Repro	72	●+6	4.3	1.0	40.8
19.9m	Micro Focus	182	+19	..	..	18.4
100.1m	Microgen	270	+6	7.5	2.8	16.7
110.5m	Mosi	140	-5	..	..	..
	Motion	21½	+½	..	..	..
7,650.000	Multitone Elect	51	-2	2.1b	4.1	33.3
9,300.000	Murray Elect	31	+1	0.3	1.0	81.6
8,685.000	Newmark (Louis)	283	..	19.8	6.7	14.1
215.9m	NEI	92	●+½	7.2b	7.8	30.0
14.9m	NMW Comp	73	●-10	3.4	4.7	13.8
20.2m	Oceonics	18½	-½	..	..	3.7
103.1m	Oxford Instruments	214	..	3.4	1.6	7.8
35.6m	P-E International	215	●+12	4.9	2.3	14.7
58.8m	Peek	55	-1	0.4	0.7	36.2
54.1m	Pracom	59	●+2	1.1	2.2	29.6
10.1m	Philips Fin 5½%	178½	-2	575	7.3	..
2,264.0m	Philips Lamps N/V	89½	+½	..	..	..
5,186.000	Pitco	239	●-1	9.6	4.0	9.8
3,124.000	Do 'A' Ltd Voting	179	●+5	9.6	5.4	7.2
1,207.0m	Plessey (aa)	163	-1	7.2b	7.0	30.0
37.4m	Pressac	156	●+1	2.3	1.5	15.9
14.7m	Quest Automation	76	-1	1.4	1.8	5.5
1,984.5m	Racal Elect (aa)	317	+79	4.9	1.5	26.9
5,699.000	Rotax	130	..	4.6	3.5	13.5
81.7m	SD-Scicon	71	+½	0.9	1.2	13.5
33.4m	Scantronic	113	+7	2.2b	1.9	24.5
58.9m	Scholes (GH)	450	●+10	20.6	4.5	14.8
44.5m	Sound Diffusion	92	●+2	2.1	2.3	8.3
1,438.5m	STC (aa)	280	●+16	9.6	3.7	11.6
2,431.8m	TDK	2204	+½	..	..	..
203.3m	Telephone Rentals	228	+21	11.6	5.1	15.6
6,890.000	Telemeter	83	+8	..	..	..
44.7m	Therm Scientific	137	-3	4.7	3.4	9.5
1,730.4m	THORN EMI (aa)	532	+18	26.7	4.2	14.9
58.9m	Tansitif	370	-5	4.6	1.2	17.9
233.3m	UEI	377	-5	9.6	2.5	11.7
91.8m	Unitech	199	●-9	11.2	5.6	10.8
101.1m	Utd Scientific	182	-3	9.0	4.9	13.9
201.3m	VG Instruments	168	●-3	8.2	4.9	14.4
53.0m	Vokes	250	+29	14.7	5.9	12.4
15.5m	Western Selection	108	+5	4.7	4.4	10.7
64.2m	Wholesale Fixing	480	-3	14.4	3.1	18.2

FINANCE, LAND

48.7m	Abingworth	240	+2	1.7	0.7	..
39.2m	Ashdn Hume	80	+2	4.8	6.0	8.1
77.2m	Antofagasta	258	●-3	13.7	5.3	7.5
26.8m	Ass Hennques	65	+1	2.6	3.9	35.5
27.2m	Authority Inv	368	●-5	3.4	1.1	19.9
	Berkeley Govett	160	..	..	..	..
861.7m	Br Commonwith (aa)	285	-13	11.0	4.2	11.8
29.4m	Burns-Anderson	123	-3	4.8	3.9	19.0
50.7m	Camellia	320	+1	23.3	1.2	42.6
53.1m	Candover	282	+3	3.4	1.2	23.0
5,021.000	Centreway	133	+5	..	..	41.6
189.3m	Chrisnes Int	564	●-11	17.8	3.2	12.4
17.6m	Harvey&Thompson	420	-10	12.3	2.9	21.0
16.6m	Do 7% Cm	73	..	4.8	6.5	14.0
36.4m	Ivory & Sime	116	-1	7.9	6.7	13.3
54.6m	LIT	30	+1	2.1	7.0	8.1
55.1m	Mayfair	210	+2	8.9	4.2	32.3
85.6m	Mid Horne Loans	213	+3	9.9	6.8	11.9
46.1m	Do 8c%	£125½	..	8.5	6.4	..
19.9m	Newmarket	56	-2	..	..	..
17.5m	Pamsh Plc	210	-10	14	0.7	24.8
5,320.000	Silverminnes Plc	139	+1	..	..	..
198.5m	Singer & Friedl	70	●+2	1.4	2.0	17.3
168.0m	Templeton Glbnh	140	●+2	4.3	3.1	9.8

FINANCIAL TRUSTS

5,312.6m	American Express	£12⅝	+⅛	..	..	..
22.2m	Argyle	164	+8	7.5	4.6	8.5
142.1m	Britannia Arrow	110	●+2	7.5	6.8	8.5
142.1m	Daily Mail	£28½	-1	95.9	3.4	13.0
137.1m	Do 'A'	£27½	-1	95.9	3.5	12.8
122.5m	Eagle Trust	117	-1	0.1	0.0	..
295.1m	Electra	196½	+½	9.1	3.1	39.5
19.8m	Exploration	165	..	7.1	3.4	21.7
58.7m	Framlington	199	+7	3.8	1.9	14.9
31.1m	Frost Gp	220	..	9.6	4.4	17.6
27.7m	GT Management	180	+2	7.5	4.2	16.9
63.5m	Goode Durrant	230	+8	3.8	2.9	11.3
139.6m	Henderson Admin	670	+10	35.6	5.3	8.3
99.1m	ICH	149	●-9	12.3	8.3	6.0
388.2m	IMI	98	●+2	5.5	5.6	..
255.2m	M&M	320	-5	4.1	1.3	11.7
289.3m	M & G	376	-6	9.6	2.6	18.1
76.8m	Smith New Court	185	-3	11.6	7.0	8.1
79.3m	Tyndall Hldgs	145	●+2	6.9	4.8	13.3

FOODS

1,296.7m	AB Foods (aa)	290	..	10.4	3.6	9.9
1,894.0m	ASDA Group (aa)	164	-11	5.1	3.1	14.4
8,108.000	Alpine Drinks	43	..	..	..	86.0
27.3m	Appletree Hgs	155	-5	4.1	2.6	28.0
1,738.0m	Argyll (aa)	193	-9	6.8	3.4	17.0
30.7m	Arpic Fisheries	175	+12	6.9	3.9	17.4
13.5m	Banks (Sidney C)	282	+2	9.3	4.8	6.2
126.7m	Barker & Dobson	148	+1	4.8	3.2	14.7
38.3m	Barr (AG)	268	+2	17.0	6.4	10.6
32.0m	Bassett Foods	232	+9	10.1	4.4	15.2
13.9m	Batleys	90	+2	3.2	3.6	10.3
209.5m	Bejam	198	●	8.8	4.2	14.2
567.6m	Berisford (S&W)	268	+9	19.2b	5.4	11.5
520.7m	Booker	396	●+4	21.9	5.5	14.2
26.1m	Borthwick	50	+5	0.7	1.4	..
88.5m	Brake Bros	198	+1	3.7	1.9	17.8
2,123.3m	Cadbury Schwp (aa)	165½	●+7½	11.0	6.7	11.9
18.4m	Carrs Milling	240	+3	9.9	4.1	8.5
13.2m	Clifford's Dairies	473	●..	12.1	2.6	24.1
26.7m	Do 'A'	193	●+8	12.1	6.3	9.5
18.0m	Collins	79	..	..	..	..
645.0m	Dalgety (aa)	292	+6	19.2	6.6	11.6
6,576.000	Daniels S	86	●-2	4.5	5.2	21.0
1,640.3m	Dee (aa)	324	-6	11.6b	6.3	11.2
3,981.000	England (J)	66	..	..	..	..
169.9m	Fil Fyffes	104	●+6	..	..	..
265.5m	Fisher (A)	168	-2	3.1	2.9	21.9
211.5m	Fitch Lovell	265	+1	7.1	2.7	15.8
69.4m	Freshbake	104	+5	3.3	3.2	16.3
152.7m	Geest	251	-4	5.5	2.5	11.8
38.4m	Glass Glover	240	..	8.5	3.7	18.6
459.3m	Hazlewood Foods	248	..	10.3	4.2	13.7
1,143.5m	Hillsdown (aa)	278	●+1	6.5	2.3	13.5
45.8m	Hunter Saphir	188	+3	4.9	2.6	18.8
113.5m	Iceland Frozen	348	●+10	6.9	1.7	20.2
5,485.0m	Int Dairy Foods	360	●+2	16	4.4	8.7
4,158.000	Lees (John J)	85	..	2.2	2.6	13.4
1,162.000	Lovell (GF)	123	..	2.7	2.2	17.6
76.1m	Low (WM)	582	●-1	31.8	5.5	11.6
4,247.0m	Maxwell Comm	257	●+12	13.3	5.2	16.9
8,245.000	Maxwell Comm Corp	245	+2	5.9	2.4	20.0
229.1m	Morrison (W)	245	●-1	2.7	1.1	14.2
43.9m	Nichols (JN) (Vimto)	235	..	10.6	4.5	11.9
29.3m	Normans	93	..	2.9	3.1	16.6
671.4m	Nthn Foods (aa)	364	+52	12.3	4.0	13.4
123.4m	Nurdin & Peacock	131	-11	5.9	4.5	10.6
29.1m	Park Foods	225	..	6.8	3.0	13.9
5,556.000	Pasmigan	100	-1	..	..	..
1,073.4m	RHM (aa)	342	+3	11.6	3.4	11.2
1,978.2m	Rowntree (aa)	920	+264	21.2	2.3	23.4
3,454.0m	Sainsbury (J) (aa)	252	-5	5.7	2.3	22.1
459.0m	Salvesen (Chas)	166	+3	5.1	3.1	17.4
579.8m	Tate & Lyle (aa)	775	+12	37.0	4.8	10.8
2,748.000	Tavener Rutledge	95	●+1	1.7	1.8	20.6
1,786.0m	Tesco Elect Mach	158	-5	3.9	2.5	13.9
631.8m	Unigate (aa)	277	+14	16.4	5.9	9.5
1,193.7m	Utd Biscuits (aa)	287	+22	15.1	5.2	12.3
30.5m	Watson & Philp	201	+11	11.0	5.5	14.8

HOTELS, CATERERS

21.6m	Friendly Hotels	234	-1	2.5	1.1	15.7
4,183.4m	Grand Met (aa)	489	+8	16.4	3.4	13.7
156.3m	Kennedy Brookes	412	●+1	3.6	0.9	13.8
1,721.5m	Ladbroke (aa)	406	-2	10.0	4.7	13.8
121.5m	Norfolk Cap Gp	29½	●-½	0.6	2.0	23.4
416.6m	Moun. Charlotte	130	+9	2.8	2.0	16.2
358.3m	Queens Moat	97	●-½	2.6	2.7	16.4
258.3m	Ramada Hotels 'A'	87	●+30	6.9	7.0	28.3
268.4m	Stakis	103	-1	2.3	2.2	17.4
1,807.5m	Trustnouse Fi (aa)	231	-3	9.7	4.2	18.0

INDUSTRIALS A-D

28.3m	AAF Inv	165	●+30	6.9	4.2	10.5
162.4m	AAH	275	-1	12.8	4.7	11.8
	ADT (aa)	116	●+4	..	..	..
94.0m	AGB Research	215	-1	10.8	4.9	17.0
222.2m	AIM	212	●+2	8.6	4.1	14.7
59.7m	APKG	52	..	7.1	4.0	12.4
331.7m	APV	116	●+4	5.8	5.0	11.3
48.2m	Aaronson	125	-5	7.5	6.0	10.9
98.3m	Ashtead	112	●+3	13.2	4.2	13.7
21.0m	Aerospace Eng	105	+2	3.9	3.7	15.0
55.8m	Alexandra Wheel	188	●+10	4.4	2.6	16.8
31.3m	Alumasc	255	+5	10.5	4.1	9.1
9,001.000	Amber Ind	345	..	14.0	4.1	13.5
7,845.000	Anglo Nordic	24	..	..	..	68.0
12.0m	Aranesn	97	●-1	3.4	3.5	13.0
8,949.000	Armour	40	●+½	0.8	2.0	12.5
28.9m	Ash & Lacey	685	●..	41.1	6.0	10.4
6,021.000	Ashley	43	-5	..	..	1.0
10.5m	Ass Br Eng	47½	..	..	..	..
2,911.000	Do 8%	240	●-10	11.0	4.6	..
84.4m	Aurora	91	●+8	3.8	4.2	13.3
481.6m	Avis Europe	344	+2	12.3	3.6	18.7
120.6m	Avon Rubber	221	+26	13.7	6.2	15.5
5,400.000	Avrshire Metal	106	●	2.7	2.5	8.2
	BAA (aa)	215	+5	9.9	4.6	..
329.4m	BBA	156½	●+½	5.5	3.5	9.7
1,673.7m	BET Ord (aa)	246	+17	13.0	5.3

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FUNERAL SERVICES

The £300m business that cares

By Doreen King

The funeral services industry is difficult to discuss in terms used for any other business without lapsing into black humour or bad taste. But it is, nevertheless, a business rather than a social service, however kindly and well-intentioned its individual practitioners, and a business now in the process of major change.

Two-thirds of the country's funeral directors are small individual firms. At least a quarter of all funerals are undertaken by the Co-operative movement, either through the Co-operative Wholesale Society, the Co-operative Retail Society or the independent regional Co-operative Societies.

Three large publicly quoted companies have been busy rationalizing the market by acquisitions over the last five years. They are Hodgson Holdings which the industry estimates takes 3.7 per cent of the market, Great Southern Group with around 3.4 per cent and Kenyon Securities, the Royal Family's undertakers, with 1.2 per cent or so.

It remains a highly traditional industry and the chairmen of all three companies speak proudly of their personal family connections with the funeral business over four or more generations.

The death rate in this country has been relatively static for two decades at around 650,000 a year, though demographers predict a rise in the 1990s as the population ages. Competition is therefore all about market share.

Howard Hodgson of Hodgson Holdings says that in 1945 funerals cost about nine times the average weekly wage. Today a funeral costs roughly three times.

National statistics show just under half of all funerals are carried out for the basic minimum charge of £394, while just over half are at an average price of £525.

The total value of the funeral market is estimated at around £300 million.

Mr Hodgson explains that the funeral business runs on 80 per cent fixed overheads, irrespective of the number of funerals.

A small independent funeral director, perhaps in a semi-rural, semi-urban county town would need substantial investment in plant, premises and staff while weekly gross turnover over a full year might average no more than £3,000, less than the takings of many corner shops.

Acquisition by one of the quoted companies means economies of scale with the "backstage" services, garage and mortuary, centralized. However, the funeral director's high-street premises may retain its old trading name and probably the same local man dealing with the public.

In Mr Hodgson's view, the small independents would be going broke or selling for a pittance had it not been for the activity by the larger groups.

He insists that rationalization in the industry poses no threat to the quality of service the public might expect.

In fact, with capital injections into hearses, cars, new liveries and centralized services organized from one depot, the individual funeral director is able to spend more time with the bereaved family and concentrate more on human factors.



● As the Victorians saw it: detail from *A Country Funeral*, 1892, by Walter Petersen

When grief is shared

The growth of the counselling services and increased knowledge of the psychology of grief and mourning are described by Derek Nuttall, director of Cruse, as "a quiet revolution".

Cruse (a biblical word for the ever-replenished oil or food vessel symbolizing help for widows) was founded in 1959 to help the bereaved and has branches throughout the country which provide practical help and counselling.

In Mr Nuttall's view it was a struggle to get death and bereavement talked about during the hedonistic and youth-centred 1960s and 1970s. Now he believes awareness is growing.

From July 12-15, an international conference organized by Cruse on "Grief and Bereavement in Contemporary Society" will be held at the Queen Elizabeth II Conference Centre, London.

"Since the end of the Second World War, there seems less death because the mortality rate in children has dropped. So has maternal mortality. It has been rarer and therefore outside most people's experience," says Mr Nuttall. "Today we are more aware that the world is unsafe.

"At the same time there has been a decline in the traditional and expected sources of help; the schoolteacher, priest and doctor who knew instinctively what to do and how to help. This has led to a growth in the role of the funeral director as counsellor. We know far more today about unresolved grief and its physical, mental and emotional aspects. Many clergymen were trained to conduct a funeral service but not how to deal with the bereaved, and it was the same for the young doctors and young social workers."

Sandra Green of the Compassionate Friends, the group which supports parents who have lost a child, said: "It is vital that a funeral should go right and feel a meaningful process. The bereaved have to make irrevocable decisions while they are in shock. It is important to choose the music and choose the readings.

"Although large Victorian families might have lost one or two children, making them more familiar with loss, we actually know more about the grieving process today.

"Generally, even the most well-meaning families and friends expect people to be "getting over it" after six months, but that is when grief can be at its most acute."

Michael Kenyon, chairman of Kenyon Securities, one of the three big public companies in the funeral services business, said: " Most skilled funeral directors have considerable insight into bereavement. However, there is undoubtedly much they can still learn and at the same time the bereavement agencies may be able to learn from us."

A growing respect and understanding

Are Victorian attitudes on the way back?

Victorian values encompassed a reverence and respect for death and bereavement that more hedonistic decades thoughtlessly dismissed as morbid.

During the 1960s and 1970s, according to experts, despite increasing knowledge about the nature of bereavement, grief and mourning, death became as taboo a subject for us as sex was for our grandparents. Embarrassing to discuss and not fit for conversation in polite company.

Now the pendulum is swinging back to a more realistic recognition that death, and its aftermath on those left behind, is one of the most profound experiences people face and that help and support for the bereaved is vital.

This week at Eastbourne's Grand Hotel, a move to channel practical and emotional assistance to where it is most needed takes place with the first National Conference on the Care of the Dying and the Bereaved.

The conference is sponsored by the National Association of Funeral Directors and aims to link the caring voluntary organizations with professional funeral directors.

The pivotal role of the director

Colin Field, president of the NAFD, explains: "In my daily work I see people who are suffering, and recognize they need a reference point. I do not see funeral directors acting directly as counsellors but as a liaison to put people in touch with organizations who can help, like Cruse [the bereavement care group], the Compassionate Friends, the Foundation for the Study of Infant Deaths or the Stillbirth and Neonatal Death Society."

Mr Field, chairman of the Great Southern Group of East Grinstead, Sussex, originally his family's firm, has felt increasingly aware over the last few years of the funeral director's pivotal role and the responsibilities it creates.

Recently, Help the Aged approached the NAFD to assist with sponsorship of a special booklet designed to help people aged over 60. The 12-page booklet, *Bereavement, the Death of a Loved One*, will have an initial print of 220,000 and be available through funeral directors as well as Help the Aged and Cruse.

The voluntary groups taking part in the national conference on the Care of the Dying and the Bereaved can be contacted at the addresses below.

THE HELPERS

● **Cruse-Bereavement Care**, 126 Sheen Road, Richmond, Surrey, TW0 1VR (01-940 4818).

● **The Compassionate Friends**, 6 Denmark Street, Bristol BS1 5DQ (0272 292778).

● **Stillbirth and Neonatal Death Society (Sands)**, 28 Portland Place, London W1N 3DE (01-436 5881).

● **Foundation for Study of Infant Deaths (Cot Deaths)**, 15 Belgrave Square, London SW1X 8PS (01-235 1721).

● **National Association of Widows**, 1st floor, Neville House, 14 Waterloo Street, Birmingham B2 5TX (021 643 8438).

● **Helen House (the Children's Hospice)**, 37 Leopold Street, Oxford OX4 1QT (0865 728251).

At any time in bereavement Cruse is here to help with counselling, advice and social contact.

Cruse also helps those working with bereaved people and is organising an International Conference in July.

Cruse - Bereavement Care, 126 Sheen Road, Richmond, Surrey TW9 1UR.

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Getting stress taped

The tensions imposed by the rat-race can now be checked by a miniature hip tape recorder, reports Nick Nuttall

It has been dubbed the scourge of late 20th century living; post-squash court drinks are more likely to be dominated by how to handle it than the price of caviar, and no publication with chic seems able to do without its monthly piece on the subject.

But stress and stress-related disease is, say doctors, all-pervasive, striking the City workaholic and parent, coping alone, alike with increasing frequency.

In this complex area of psychological medicine, monitoring a person to see if he or she has had problems with the pressures of modern living poses problems. A stress researcher neither has the time nor resources to go running around after a subject to see how the day's events take their toll.

And dragging an individual into the artificiality of a surgery or laboratory is a primitive way of testing for symptoms with the researcher getting only a snapshot when he or she wants a picture.

Now a system, which automatically monitors a person's stress levels over 24 hours, has been tested for the first time by researchers at London's Stress Research and Management Unit based at St Bartholomew's Hospital.

The system, a combination of two units – one British and one American – which monitors and records blood pressure and the heart's electrical activity (ECG) is described by St Bart's June Aitken as "absolutely brilliant".

The British component is a small but robust cassette recorder weighing 320 grams, which discreetly straps on to the patient's hip. It is linked to four electrodes arranged diagonally across the heart which pick up the electrical activity in the organ's muscles.

Though the tape is a standard-sized cassette the machine records at one and a half millimetres a second, allowing 24-hour ECG monitoring. The British part of the unit has been developed by Reynolds Medical, which has also designed an ECG analyser to do a five-minute analysis of the recording. It has just won a Queen's Award for technological achievement.

The American half of the monitoring system is a blood pressure unit consisting of a simple arm cuff linked to a battery-powered air pump, which inflates and deflates in response to the ECG. A tiny microphone inside the cuff picks up the characteristic knocking sounds that signify blood pressure and the information is recorded on a solid-state machine strapped to, say, the belt.

This part of the monitor, says Nigel Trim of Reynolds, requires no special machine to interpret the results. He adds: "A printer or a simple computer just prints out the figures for diatolic and systolic blood pressure."

St Bart's has just tested the system on a commuting City banker during his busy day, measuring blood pressure every 10 minutes and his heart rate or ECG continuously. Ms Aitken said: "I was very impressed with it. After about half an hour the subject became oblivious to the equipment. It was fascinating to see what events triggered stress."



Nigel Trim of Queen's Award-winners Reynolds Medical demonstrating a stress analyser

"Each individual manifests the problem at different times and in response to different events. If someone has to take medication the machine can help identify where in the day stress is at its peak."

Ms Aitken also believes a preliminary investigation with the machine, using herself as a guinea pig, may have revealed that some people thought to have high-blood pressure simply do not.

She said: "I wore the system and took my blood pressure at the beginning. It was 120 over 80, which I considered normal. However, when I was walking around during the day I actually found it was consistently much lower."

The explanation is that when people's blood pressure is normally taken, it is in the inherently stressful surrounds of a hospital or surgery where often a person has rushed worried about being late and is generally more tense.

"Possibly," said Ms Aitken, "some people thought to have blood pressure problems and who are being treated with drugs do not actually need them after all."

PERSPECTIVE

New Luddites take up their high-tech cudgels

A recent survey showed that 28 per cent of the clients of the UK's top accounting firms had suffered a computer disaster within the last five years.

Most had survived because the systems were not critical to the business. Research from the US, where more businesses are using IT in critical areas, shows that 90 per cent of firms which suffer a major computer disaster have gone out of business within 18 months.

Computer-assisted bankruptcy is all too often the result of believing what the pundits preach or responding uncritically to the Department of Trade and Industry's latest awareness campaign.

The key problem is not skill shortages but low quality and high turnover among the staff who built the systems you are trying to use whether your own or bought in from outside suppliers.

Traditional computing and data processing should now be taken for granted and no more merit boardroom attention than the telephone network or plumbing unless the company really does plan to use information technology to transform the competitive position of the organization as a whole. If it does, the key question is whether the advantages are so great that it is prepared to risk the future of the operation perhaps in the hands of a bunch of roving mercenaries hired by a department with a track record of failing to deliver to time or cost, if at all. The damage done by a system that does not work at all is limited to wasted time and effort. The real damage is done by the system that seems to work then collapses during a peak business period, after the staff who built it have moved on for more pay or more interesting work elsewhere. When fundamental change is happening, it should be remembered that the Luddites emerged from among the hand-loom weavers who did so well out of cheap yarn, the product of the first stage of the industrial revolution, but were unable to accept the need to retrain a second time when weaving also became cheap, during the second stage.



Philip Virgo witnesses a re-emergence in the post-industrial age of an old form of worker rebellion

How are those who did so well out of hand-crafting software reacting now that system generators and re-usable code are starting to take over? Today's Luddites are ironically most likely to be found in the ranks of the computer department, quietly sabotaging the use of packages, productivity tools and software-engineering methodologies than out there among the users.

They seek to maintain their craft mysteries so that they can prevent effective solutions to the skill-shortage problems and preserve the staff from which they benefit so greatly in increased salaries and perks.

How long will the users continue to tolerate this situation? The answer is, until the law on the enforcability of training contracts is clarified by a test case now in court. We are then likely to see a massive expansion of investment in training, linked to schemes for repayment of the cost in the event of early departure, similar to those which have ensured that West Germany has never had the training "disinvestment" of the UK in recent years.

In 1978 trainees made up more than 16 per cent of programming staff in post among large UK users. By 1985 that had dropped to barely 12 percent. Last year's survey showed that the proportion had dropped to less than nine per cent. It was lower in the public sector.

Investment in training was falling sharply all through the public debate on skills shortages in IT and the need to invest in training. It was falling because employers lacked the confidence that their trainees would stay long enough to repay that investment.

That lack of confidence was understandable because so much trainee recruitment after IT year (1982) was concentrated on young male graduates. These are the most mobile and mercenary group of the population as a whole. Before then the bulk of trainees were redeployed from user departments affected by computerisation.

The rate of turnover among women, non-graduates and older staff is much lower. There is no evidence that computer aptitude declines significantly before retirement age or indeed that it is sexually correlated. A large part of the solution is therefore to switch from reliance on the milk round, where demographic pressures mean that competition is rising and numbers falling anyway, to recruiting more mature and stable employees. It is no coincidence that the fastest-growing sector of Britain's IT industry is facilities management, as users give up trying to turn around their computer departments and go out to contract. Until user managers are convinced that the latest products really are "fit for purpose" and that they can recruit and retain the staff to make effective use of those products the current sales plateau will continue. Rational users will either concentrate on what they can realistically expect to achieve given the staff they have – though with a much greater reliance on packaged solutions – or they will contract the operation out.

Reputable contractors will similarly restrict their bids to those users who they have the staff in post to service most effectively and profitably confining their growth to the pace at which they can train and retain loyal and reliable staff.

Such rationing will reduce the risk of failure until those more mature staff with "business systems technician" training and skills use packages and productivity tools to render redundant many of today's half-trained, unprofessional, ultra-mobile, techno-freaks.

The author is director of IT Strategy Services a specialist appraisal consultancy and information service

Wipe-out even before the start

By Matthew May

A claim by the American firm Tandy that it has developed a cheap method of producing compact discs that can record as well as play could mean the end of the digital audio tape (DAT) technology, even before it has become established.

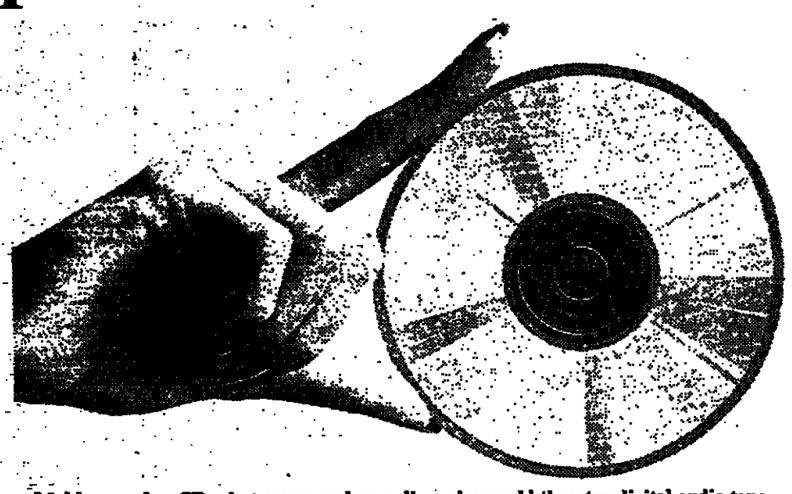
While sales of compact discs have boomed, the fact that owners cannot record on the discs has meant digital audio tape has been seen as the tape recording medium of the near future, as it will offer comaparable quality to compact disc, along with the ability to record.

Though there are a few other firms with products that will record on compact disc, the process is both complex and expensive. With prices over £4,000, such systems are aimed at professional computer storage.

It is Tandy's claim, that it will be able to produce a record-and-play deck, using its system, called Thor-CD, for less than £300, that has suprised the industry. Even the cheapest DAT system in Japan costs over £500.

"Using a laser beam, Thor-CD can repeatedly record, playback, store and erase music, data or video on a disc that can be used with all existing audio compact disc and CD-ROM players," says the company.

Some analysts, however, are sceptical of the claim, particularly as Tandy says the first products should appear within two years. And they find it curious that pre-announcing such a potentially lucrative technology merely gives competitors time to find out how it works and prepare their response.



Making a noise: CDs that can record as well as play could threaten digital audio tape

"Maybe it does have the technology to produce a cheap re-recordable compact disc, and if it does then that is Nobel Prize-winning work," said one Japanese analyst.

"It's a technology that is possible, but I doubt very seriously that Tandy has the capability to do it," said Chet Mackentire, the US optical disk manager for Ricoh, a manufacturer of a non-erasable optical disk storage system.

Digital audio tape has faced fierce opposition from the music industry fearing widespread piracy. Because it records information in a digital form copies can be made of compact discs with virtually no loss in quality.

So far DAT recorders are only sparsely available outside Japan – certain specialist dealers in the UK, for example, have a few machines – ands there is a dearth of pre-recorded cassettes.

One vociferous opponent of DAT was CBS which argued DAT recorders should be forced to have a special spoiler device in them to prevent copying. But last year Sony, a leading light in DAT technology took over CBS and some sort of compromise solution seems more likely.

If the same facility can be offered with compact discs similar objections are likely to be raised.

Tandy is looking to audio compact discs as the first commercial use for the system – one reason being it is less technically demanding than some other uses.

Another is the potentially huge global market if the system becomes established though the very small tapes DAT uses would still have an advantages in car and personal stereos.

But other fields such as the storgage of computer information could also make use of cheap erasable compact discs as each can store over half a million characters of information.

"Tandy is actively working with key electronics innovators round the world to licence this technique" said John Roach, Tandy's president, but refused to go into detail about how the system will work.

In conventional compact discs music or computer information is recorded by a laser heating a tiny spot, creating a microscopic pit that represents the number one in digital code.

Tandy says that the technological breakthrough "is that the pits, while environmentally stable and permanent in nature, can be erased, allowing editing over and over again".

So far the company has managed to write and erase information from an experimental disc 40 times.

IBM is being cloned again

By Geof Wheelwright

One year and one month after the release of IBM's groundbreaking range of Personal System/2 computers, clones of the PS/2 range have been announced.

Tandy is the first company into the fray, marking the end of lengthy speculation about whether or not personal computer companies would take to producing clones with the Micro-Channel Architecture (MCA) expansion system built into the high-end IBM PS/2 models.

It is likely to open the floodgates to PS/2 cloning, which have so far stayed closed for fear of legal action regarding copyright from IBM.

Tandy's launch is the result of a cross-licensing deal between IBM and Tandy – where both companies agree to trade technologies that will be of use to them.

The announcement that IBM was willing to make such a deal so soon suggests that an internal battle within the company has been won by those in favour of cloning.

The fact that IBM, one year after the release of its PS/2 machines, was still not seeing widespread support for the PS/2 among corporate customers and suppliers of add-ons for the range must have made IBM think twice about whether or not it wanted to remain the sole voice in favour of the PS/2 computer architecture.

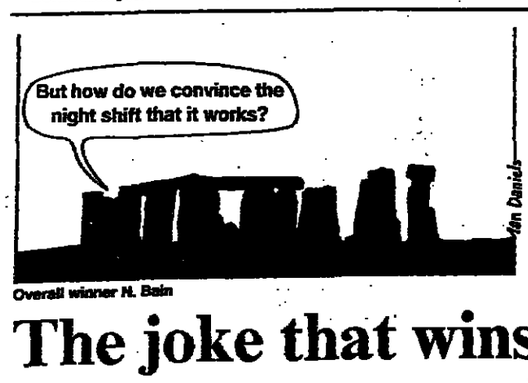
The world's biggest computer company has concluded that the main reason for the success of IBM's PC design over the last five years has been that almost every other computer company copied it and forced all producers of hardware and software add-ons to build their products to fit the IBM PC design.

IBM is hoping the same will happen with PS/2. Within six months of the Tandy announcement, for example, Olivetti is expected to start delivering its first PS/2 clone having said it too has a cross-licensing technology agreement with IBM.

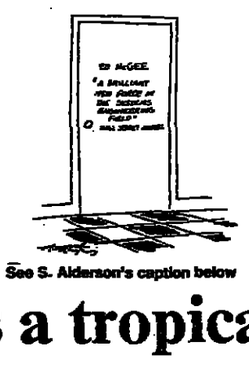
And even those that do not have such agreements with IBM are starting to make noises about PS/2 clones.

Compaq has for months been saying that as and when it sees a need for the MCA system in the PS/2 machines, it will launch its own version of PS/2. Another Texas-based computer company – Dell Computers – has also been in the business of talking about planned PS/2 clones.

The good news for IBM in all this is that it – and not the clone-producing community – has control of when it approves licences to allow legal clones of the PS/2 so it can ensure they do not arrive so fast as to undermine IBM's own product.



Overall winner N. Bain



See S. Alderson's caption below



See J. Slocombe's caption below

The joke that wins a tropical holiday

By Rex Malik

The overall winner in *The Times*/CMG humour competition is Noel Bain, a retail consultant of Wetherby, Yorkshire, for the Stonehenge joke reproduced in the cartoon above. He wins a week for two on the island of Réunion in the Indian Ocean – France in the tropics.

Mr Bain is one of four prize-winners, the others being the remaining three weekly winners. This week, the second prize of a week's holiday on an island resort chosen from Jersey, Skye, Mull and Heligoland, goes to Stanley Alderson of Cambridge for a caption to the sign-on-door cartoon. This is his caption:

R.A. MAELSTROM
I might be in
I might be out
That's what random access
Is about

That door produced most of the runners-up.

● *Back soon – just popped out to buy a screwdriver and a computer manual* was the entry from Mrs Sandra Hall, Bracknell.

● *Alternative Open Systems Development Laboratory. Please use other door* – Barry Tolfree, Kingston, London.

● *ACE CONSULTANTS plc, world leaders in information technologies. Gone to lunch – Back in an hour ~~11 2:30 pm~~ Later* – Noel Bain again.

● *BILL SYKES, Director of Security. If no answer, get key from under photocopier* – Len Digby, Billericay.

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And a prolific A. Warwood, of south-west London, produced a witty visual joke to delight fellow Macintosh-users.

For the cartoon above right, J. Slocombe of Moray, captioned:

● *A power cut 30 seconds from now will not only destroy all memory contents but also the first and only proof of computer clairvoyance*

Finally, one entry – out of a four-week total of more than 2,700 – produced a caption on the sign-on-door cartoon to which by unanimous decree the judges awarded the contest's only booby prize – to a former foreign correspondent and author (*War Without End*, with Ronnie Payne, Harrap, 1987), Christopher Dobson of Bexhill, for what the judges thought the most appalling pun the four weeks had produced – and believe us, it produced some.

He captioned the man at a terminal erasing the immortal words of the *Rubayat*, with the phrase, *The Rubitout of Omar Khayyam*

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TECHNOLOGY

Take off for the £5,000 race

This is the second week of *The Times*/Digital Schneider competition taking aviation as its theme and offering the opportunity of winning holidays valued at £5,000.

It is linked to the Digital Schneider Trophy Race which revives in modern form the famous seaplane contests which took place between 1913 and 1931 over the Isle of Wight.

This year it will take place on May 30, the bank holiday Monday, starting from Bembridge airfield at 11.30 am.

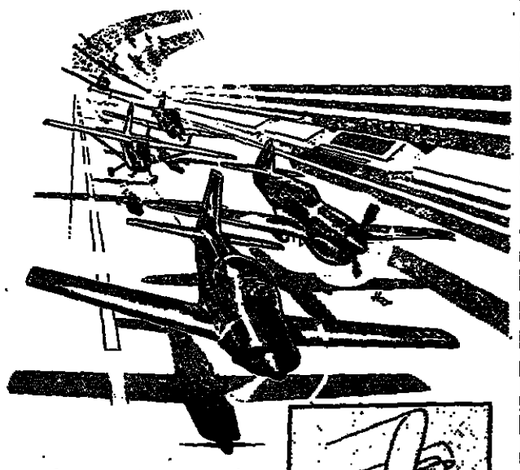
This week, and for the next two weeks we will continue to publish random entries from a spotter's log, as clues to the four questions we shall be posing.

● *What you do:* research the answers to each of the questions, and add your results together to form a numerical solution. For example if you think the answer to question 3 is 1930, add this number to your total.

You must also complete the tie breaking sentence — see below.

On Sunday, between 8 am and 7 pm, call 021-400 1314 which is *The Times*/Digital Schneider hotline. You will be asked for the following information when you call: (1) the numerical solution, (2) the tie-breaking sentence, (3) your name and day-time phone number.

Please have all this to hand when you make your call, and deliver it in the above order to enable the entry to be processed accurately and speedily. Entries will be accepted only during the stated hours.



Employees of News International and Digital Equipment, and members of their immediate families, are not eligible to enter the competition. In any dispute, the editor's decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into.

● TIE-BREAKER: Answer this question in no more than 15 words. What in your opinion sealed the fate for the future of biplanes in the 1930s?

● Last week's solutions: Q1: four; Q2: two; Q3: three; Q4: three. Added together these answers gave a total numerical solution of 12.

The winner is Brian Maidment of Bath, Avon.



Holidays worth £5,000 will be waiting for the four winners of the competitions. There are three vouchers for £1,000 and one for £2,000 that will be given away. The top prize of £2,000 will be decided on the airfield during the weekend of the race.

The vouchers can be used to take the winner to a destination of their choice, for example, a Kenyan safari, two weeks in the Seychelles, or a trip around India.

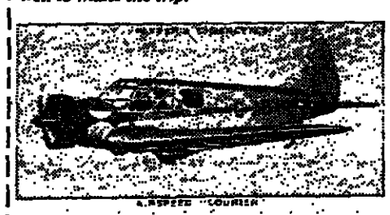
The four weekly winners will also be guests of Digital on the Isle of Wight for the weekend of the race later this month.

SPOTTER'S LOG

● *"Cast Iron" Stainforth, one of our Schneider chaps, took the new Airspeed Courier for its first flight yesterday. Apparently its new retractable wheels can add another 10mph to its top speed.*

● *An ironic twist of fate to see the Spaniard Juan de la Cierva killed in an accident at Croydon this Week. As one of the pioneers of autogiros, he met his end in an accident as a passenger in a fixed wing aircraft.*

● *Jean Batten has done it. She is the first women to make the solo air crossing of the South Atlantic. Her little Percival Gull did well to make the trip.*





● *Hawker's new monoplane fighter made its first flight today. It is very sleek and bears little resemblance to their earlier family of biplane fighters.*

Question 1: In which year did Stainforth take the Airspeed Courier for its maiden flight from Portsmouth?

Question 2: What year did Cierva die?

Question 3: In which year did Jean Batten make her South Atlantic crossing?

Question 4: In which year did the Hawker Hurricane make its maiden flight.

Sales talk is worth £35,000

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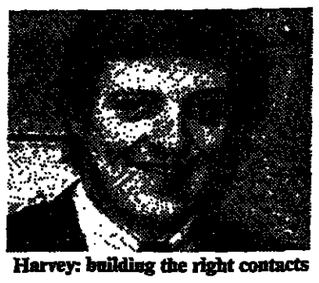
By Caroline Berman

The demand for computer sales people far exceeds the supply. Increasingly, organizations are being forced to consider how to bring outsiders into their sales teams.If the leading computer manufacturers had their way, they would recruit only sales people who were already working for their competitors.

They look first to their direct competitors and if they cannot find anyone here, they look at the sales people working for third-party vendors or software houses.

And if again they have no luck, they start looking at the technicians who they may be able to train as sellers.

ICL has had difficulties in recruiting experienced sales staff, according to John Gardner, director at the recruitment agency, NSH Associates. To solve the problem, ICL is to start a campaign to recruit 18 people who are specialists in different industries, but who have no previous sales knowledge. They will be sent on a one-year training course which will cover sales techniques and business skills — for example, how to make presentations, proposals, and how to close a sale.



Harvey: building the right contacts

The students also learn about the product range and the company and how to use its resources. Then they are allocated to an account manager to give them field experience.

Mr Gardner, who is running the campaign, is seeking people with some knowledge of the implementation or running of information technology systems, such as business analysis. But he will also consider non-technical people who work in areas such as finance and banking.

The incentive will be the salary potential. While re-training, they will be on a flat salary but after that they should be able to earn at least £35,000 a year.

Mr Gardner said: "Other manufacturers have done similar schemes in the past. The advantage is that these people already have a good knowledge of vertical markets and how they work."

Marcus Harvey, recruitment consultant at Executive Systems, said that for companies that sell into "vertical" markets such as health, accountancy, local government or defence, it is often very useful to train people working in these areas to switch to sales. He added: "If you're selling into the Ministry of Defence, it could take years to build the right contacts. That is why computer companies often take on majors and colonels to sell military systems."

If you are selling into local government, you have to be familiar with the buying cycles and committee systems. "If you don't get your tender in at the right time of the year it may be another 12 months before you have another chance," said Mr Harvey. "And with the committee procedure you have to know who to talk to if you want to influence the decisions."

A more common route into sales is through sales support, which involves sales presentations and aiding proposals. And after the sale, the staff help to install the systems, train the users, and help them over any teething problems.

Through this kind of work they have a great deal of contact with the customer and the sales environment and are in a good position to move into sales.

Mr Harvey said that these sales-support people often they find they cannot move to sales within their own company. However, another manufacturer may offer them a junior sales job, or invite them to start in sales support, then move into sales after a year.

It is more difficult for computer programmers and analysts to move into sales, although systems analysts, who have to talk to users about what they want, may have a chance.

Mr Gardner commented: "A company is generally keen to take on someone who's already doing the same job elsewhere, because he or she has a track record and will be quicker to pick up the new job. But if you're technical and want to move into sales, it's easier to do it within your own company."

You can also move from selling other goods into selling computers, though you would usually start selling micros or small systems rather than mainframes.

If computer sales people are successful they earn a lot of money. The rewards can be higher than any other sales job. At the bottom end he or she would be earning £35,000 and some companies pay £70,000-£100,000.

Your car is safely locked . . or is it?

By Jonathan Drori

There is disturbing news for owners of cars protected by infra-red door locking or alarm systems. These are units which can be controlled remotely, using an infra-red key which transmits a fast on/off pattern of invisible pulses.

Only when the receiver in the car recognizes exactly the right pattern, corresponding to the right key, will the lock or alarm system respond.

Though the number of different key combinations that can be supported by the complex data signal is colossal, the pattern sent from any particular key will be the same every time.

And there lies the problem. Because the lock always expects the same code, it follows that any thief who can duplicate that pattern can get into the car.

Representatives of the motor industry claim that this would be a very difficult thing to do and would require extremely expensive and sophisticated equipment. They point out how many billion combinations their keys have.

Some explain that if a certain number of incorrect codes are received by the lock, it will shut down for a while. This would certainly fox any thief with such a blunt lock-pick as a computer, doggedly driving an infra-red transmitter with every possible combination.

Unfortunately though, the car manufacturers have left a loop-hole. As featured on a recent edition of the BBC's *Tomorrow's World*, it is possible — using about £70-worth of bits and the right knowledge — for car thieves to record and duplicate patterns from infra-red keys with comparative ease.

This can be accomplished from a great distance without any suspicion. For obvious reasons, it is better that the method's precise details are not disclosed.

The Metropolitan Police are aware of the potential problem but have not had any confirmed reports of thieves using this technique in Britain. This is perhaps hardly surprising since an owner, returning to find a stolen or ransacked car, would have no proof that they themselves had not left it unlocked, and might be reluctant to report the theft.

However, it is recent concern from the police that has prompted the West German electronics firm, Siemens, to develop an ingenious and much more secure infra-red locking system.

The new system incorporates a personal identification number, stored on a chip in both key and lock but never itself sent. Instead, when the key is operated, a new code is generated from that number, using a complex calculation.

It is called a "trap door" algorithm because it works only one way. It is impossible to work backwards from the code that is sent, to find out the personal number. In the same split second, the lock also performs the same calculation on the same personal number and therefore knows what pattern to expect.

Each time the key is used, the previous code forms the basis for the next, so the key and lock follow the same sequence and should always remain in step.

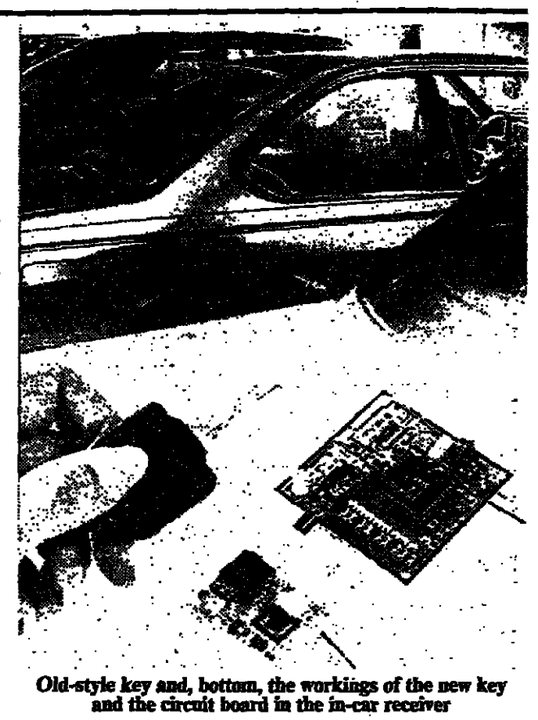
If the urge to fiddle with the key becomes irresistible and it is accidentally fired so that it and the lock are no longer in sequence, the rightful owner can still get in. This is because the lock always knows what the next nine codes in the sequence should be and will accept any one of them.

When the battery needs replacing and the key and lock lose synchronism completely, they can be reset — but only by using the key with its permanently stored personal number. As a bonus the system can accommodate up to five different keys, so that future car models will be able to sense which of its authorized drivers is approaching and adjust the seats and mirrors accordingly.

There seems to be a feeling among the police that the car manufacturers have been a little too eager to leap on the remote-control bandwagon without waiting for systems to be thoroughly thought out.

Detective chief superintendent Roy Clark of the Metropolitan Police stolen vehicles division, said: "Why do manufacturers continue to fit locks costing a few pounds to cars that sell for more than £20,000?"

● *Jonathan Drori is a producer on the BBC's* Tomorrow's World *programme*



Old-style key and, bottom, the workings of the new key and the circuit board in the in-car receiver

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HORIZONS

A guide to career opportunities

Complete therapy now for the disabled patient

Ask occupational therapists to define their job and most start with what it is not: "The image of the kindly lady with soft toys and basket-weaving is gone. We don't just keep bedridden patients amused or run painting classes for the elderly."

The profession has developed from fairly narrow beginnings, using skills — one of which was basketry — in occupational or diversionary work with patients. After two world wars which left huge numbers of patients with physical or psychiatric problems, the profession grew in numbers and in the types of treatment it could offer.

"Now, craft still has its place", says Helen White, an occupational therapist working in York, "but as an assessment and as an activity working towards a goal." Occupational therapists (known as OTs) are charged with rehabilitation, treating patients with physical or psychiatric disorders in order to help them reach a maximum level of independence at home, in social life and at work in the wider sense. Some may be recovering from illness or operations; others may be mentally handicapped or learning to face permanent disability.

Hospital occupational therapy departments are filled with a variety of equipment. Most have kitchens where patients practise skills until confident: cooking meals from a wheelchair or using special gadgets if no longer able to use both hands.

There are workshops, fitted with industrial equipment, where muscle strength and coordination can be built up, and bathrooms where disabled patients are taught command of basic functions, like taking a bath or using specially-designed lavatory seats.

These days most departments have computers, used for assessment of touch sensitivity or colour discrimination, for example, and for exercise in improving hand/eye coordination.

Patients vary but all have some problem, either temporary or permanent. OTs start with the problem and devise a solution or compromise which the patient can work towards, at first in very small steps. "If someone says, 'I'm a fitter', we break down the job into tasks and take it step by step."

A patient recovering from a stroke, paralysed down one side, might be taught how to dress, using a gadget to help with zips, as the first move towards independence. A child born with one arm might learn how to use an artificial, electronically-controlled limb, initially through play activities.

Not all OTs work in hospitals. Assessment is often carried out in the community, a therapist observing elderly or disabled people in their own homes and making recommendations that permit them to remain there, with support — by installing a chairlift, or a stair handrail, and by provision of meals on wheels and home help and visits from district nurses. Everything is done to avoid institutionalization, but obviously, sometimes that has to be the recommendation.

With psychiatric patients, techniques include psychotherapy and counselling, often in groups; but other skills play their part. Patients may be asked to work together on a project, take part in group discussions or do painting and talk about it afterwards; all with the aim of building up confidence and easing communication.

No longer does the soft toy and basket-weaving image fit the reality of the occupational therapist. Computers and psychology now play the greater role, says Beryl Dixon

OTs working with mentally handicapped people run programmes to improve competence in daily life — domestic activities, shopping, travelling and some work skills; and organize activities designed to improve manual dexterity or coordination.

Helen White decided while training that she was interested in psychiatry. Many OTs do know on qualifying which specialization they prefer, but if not, they can apply to work in a large hospital department where they can use rotation for a period. They may also work in different specialitues during their careers, as Helen has done.

She first worked in a short-stay psychiatric hospital in York, then moved to Newcastle, where she worked for three days each week in an acute psychiatric clinic and taught student occupational therapists at the polytechnic for two days.

She then started a family, but when her younger child was two, she returned to work; this time in a physical team at an equipment centre in Newcastle upon Tyne where patients could experiment with equipment from different companies under supervision. Patients of all ages, from children with spinal injuries to older patients with strokes or Parkinson's disease, learned to use anything from stairlifts to specially-adapted baths; wheelchairs to powered jar openers.

Now, she works in a psychiatric hospital, on an assessment ward for the elderly, where she uses a combination of OT skills. The ward team, consisting of a a consultant, registrar, social workers, OT staff, physiotherapists and nurses, tries to establish whether patients can cope at home.

Use is made of group work to discuss patients' anxieties and art, music and drama therapy are used; as are practical skills. "By getting a group of patients to cook, I can assess whether they are safe with equipment, can follow instructions, work with the person next to them, or are withdrawn." Although hospital-based, Helen does some home assessment visits with community occupational therapists and psychiatric nurses.

There are 15 training courses in the UK, leading to the diploma, which is essential for state registration, (entry requirements are two A-levels or three "highers", with some schools showing a preference for particular subjects). Two courses, in Edinburgh and Ulster, lead to the award of a degree. About a third of the syllabus covers theory — anatomy, physiology, psychiatry, and supervised clinical practice.

Academic qualifications alone will not admit students to a course. All prospective OTs are expected to have visited departments which treat physical disabilities and psychiatric illness before applying. Schools are looking for people with caring personalities, an understanding of patients' needs and who are able to build patients' confidence.

They must be practical and inventive. Given the range of patients and treatments possible, OTs find few skills have no value. Almost every interest and hobby can be used, whether it be practical, artistic or practical.

Since many qualified OTs work as part of a patient-care team they must be able to cooperate with other health care professionals. The occupational therapy and physiotherapy departments in a general hospital, for example, are often in one unit known as "rehabilitation," with speech therapy close by.

Job prospects are excellent. Recent reports suggest that a 70 per cent increase in the number of OTs in the NHS will be required over the next 10 years. There is a current shortage in most specialities with opportunity to work in general or day hospitals, day centres, clinics or with social services. There are openings for part-time work, and for those who wish to move around, the British qualification is recognized in 28 countries which are members of the World Federation of Occupational Therapists.

● *Further information from: College of Occupational Therapists, 20 Rede Place, London W2 4TU*

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Court of Appeal

Evidence of indecent intention is admissible

Regina v Court

Before Lord Keith of Kinkel, Lord Fraser of Tullybelton, Lord Griffiths, Lord Ackner and Lord Goff of Chieveley

[Speeches April 28]

On a charge of indecent assault where the circumstances of the alleged offence could be given an innocent as well as an indecent interpretation, evidence of the accused's explanation of assaulting the victim, whether or not it revealed an indecent motive, was admissible both to support or negative that the assault was an indecent one and was so intended by the accused.

Accordingly, where a man had spanked a young girl on her bottom for no reason apparent to her, his later admission that he had done so because of a "buttock fetish" had been admissible evidence before a jury.

The House of Lords so held, Lord Goff of Chieveley dissenting, in dismissing an appeal by Robert Christopher Court against the order of the Court of Appeal (Criminal Division) (Lord Justice Ralph Gibson, Mr Justice Hirst and Mr Justice Otton) (*The Times* October 20, 1986; [1987] QB 156) dismissing his appeal against conviction for indecent assault contrary to section 14(1) of the Sexual Offences Act 1956.

Mr D. Martin Thomas, QC and Mr Trevor Halbert for the appellant; Mr Alex Carlile, QC and Mr Robin Spencer for the Crown.

LORD ACKNER said that the appeal concerned the mental element required for the proof of the offence of indecent assault.

The appellant, then aged 26, was an assistant in a gift shop in Abersoch. In 1985 a girl aged 12 on holiday had been to the shop on several occasions. On two occasions he had asked her "Have you ever been spanked?" She had replied "No" and he had said "That's the kind of girl I like".

Some days later she had entered the shop and he had asked her "Will you let me spank you?" She had said "No" and he had pushed her to the back of the shop and sat watching her. She was dressed in shorts and a T-shirt.

As she began to walk past him he had pulled her across his knees, said nothing, but struck her on the outside of her shorts across her bottom about 12 times.

When interviewed by the police he had admitted spanking her and when asked "What makes you want to do this?" he had replied "I don't know, buttock fetish".

The defendant did not give evidence at the trial. His defence was that the assault, which he admitted he had committed, was not an indecent one. The judge rejected a submission that the statement about "buttock fetish" should be excluded and the appellant had been convicted.

The assault in a case which the prosecution might seek to establish might be of a kind which was inherently indecent. If the defendant removed against her will, a woman's clothing, then such a case would raise no problem. Those very facts, devoid of any explanation, would give rise to the irresistible inference that the defendant intended to assault his victim in a manner which right-minded persons would clearly think was indecent.

Whether he did so for his own personal sexual gratification or because, being a misogynist or for some other reason, he wished to embarrass or humiliate his victim, was irrelevant. He had failed, *ex hypothesi*, to show any lawful justification for his indecent conduct.

The present, of course, was not such a case. The conduct of the appellant in assaulting the girl by spanking her was only capable of being an indecent assault. To decide whether or not right-minded persons might think that the assault was indecent, the following factors were clearly relevant:

The relationship of the defendant to his victim — were they relatives, friends or virtually complete strangers? How had the defendant come to embark on that conduct and why was he behaving in that way?

Aided by such material, a jury would be helped to determine the quality of the act, the true nature of the assault and to answer the vital question — were they sure that the defendant not only intended to commit an assault upon the girl, but an assault which was indecent — was such an inference irresistible?

For the defendant to be liable to be convicted of the offence of indecent assault, where the circumstances of the alleged offence could be given an innocent as well as an indecent interpretation, without the prosecution being obliged to establish that the defendant intended to commit both an assault and an indecent one, seemed quite unacceptable and not what Parliament intended.

Much reliance had been placed by the appellant upon the definition of "indecent assault" in *Beal v Kelley* ([1951] 2 All ER 763, 764): "an assault, accompanied with circumstances of indecency on the part of the prisoner". However, that definition did not have the force of statute.

It was wholly appropriate to the facts of that case, where the defendant had indecently exposed himself to a young boy and when the boy had refused to handle him indecently, he had got hold of the boy's arm and pulled him towards himself.

The assault itself was not indecent. It was the combination of the assault with the circumstances of indecency, that established the constituents of the offence. In the instant case, it was the assault itself — its true nature — an assault for sexual gratification, which was capable of amounting to an indecent assault.

In his Lordship's opinion, on a charge of indecent assault the prosecution had not only to prove that the accused intentionally assaulted the victim but that in so doing he intended to commit an indecent assault, that was, an assault which right-minded persons would think was indecent.

Accordingly, any evidence which tended to explain the reason for the defendant's conduct, be it his own admission or otherwise, would be relevant to establish whether or not he intended to commit, not only an assault, but an indecent one. The appellant's admission of "buttock fetish" was clearly such material.

It tended to confirm, as indeed did the events leading up to the assault and the appellant's conduct immediately thereafter, that what he did was to satisfy his peculiar sexual appetite. It was additional relevant evidence. It tended to establish the sexual undertones which gave the assault its true cachet.

Accordingly, on a charge of indecent assault the prosecution had to prove:

1 That the accused intentionally assaulted the victim.

2 That the assault, or the assault and the circumstances accompanying it, were capable of being considered by right-minded persons as indecent.

3 That the accused intended to commit such an assault as was referred to in (2) above.

Those requirements, as counsel for the Crown confirmed, should give rise to no difficulty or complication. His Lordship added that evidence, if any, of the accused's explanation for assaulting the victim, whether or not it revealed an indecent motive, was admissible both to support or negative that the assault was an indecent one and was so intended by the accused.

Lord Keith and Lord Griffiths delivered concurring speeches and Lord Fraser agreed.

LORD GOFF, dissenting, said that a so-called "indecent intention" had never formed an ingredient of the offence of indecent assault and that it would be wrong now to introduce any such requirement.

If one looked at the words of the statute, the ingredients were simply that there should have been an assault, and that the assault should have been indecent.

In considering whether or not an assault was indecent, it was appropriate to have regard not only to the nature of the assault itself, but also to the circumstances in which the assault took place.

That was laid down in *Beal v Kelley* and it led Lord Goddard, Lord Chief Justice, to describe an indecent assault as an assault which took place in "circumstances of indecency", a phrase which had been regularly used in directing juries ever since.

Did an indecent assault require any mental element different from a common assault? There were two matters to be borne in mind.

First, the requisite intention on the part of the defendant to commit the relevant act involved, in the case of an indecent assault, that the defendant should have intended to commit any part of that act which rendered the assault indecent.

Second, especially since, in considering whether an assault was indecent, it might be appropriate to have regard to the surrounding circumstances, it was necessary that the defendant should have been aware of the existence of any circumstances which were relied upon as rendering the assault indecent.

However, in the present case the judge added a further mental element, that the defendant should have had an "indecent intention". It was to be inferred that by that he meant that the defendant had acted with the motive of obtaining sexual gratification from his act.

That would exclude from indecent assault cases where a man undressed a woman in public not from the motive of obtaining sexual gratification but because he was a misogynist, or because he wanted to cause her embarrassment, or out of sheer mischief.

That could not be right. It was the fact that the assault was objectively indecent which constituted the gravamen of the offence, which was to be found in the affront to modesty.

Further, to introduce the requirement of indecent motive would create complications in what was at present treated as a relatively simple and straightforward offence. Jurors and magistrates were perfectly capable of recognizing indecency and any gloss on the word was more likely to do harm than good.

However, what had found favour with the remainder of their Lordships was neither the law as it had hitherto been understood, that an indecent assault was an assault committed in circumstances of indecency; nor the law adopted by the judge, that it was a necessary ingredient of the offence that the defendant should have acted with an "indecent intention".

The proposition, as his Lordship understood it, was that where the act was "inherently indecent" it might constitute an indecent assault even though the defendant had no intention to obtain sexual gratification from his act; but where it was only capable of constituting an indecent assault, then the question whether it was so or not might be resolved by ascertaining whether or not the defendant had such an intention.

His Lordship could not accept that approach. Either the intent to obtain sexual gratification should be an ingredient of the offence or it should not.

If (contrary to his opinion) it was, then it had to be proved in every case and without it the defendant had to be acquitted however objectively indecent the assault might be, with the effect that a man who forcibly undressed a woman in public to embarrass her would not be guilty.

If, however, it was not an ingredient of the offence then it must be generally irrelevant; it could not be adduced in evidence by the prosecution to prove than an assault which was not objectively indecent was in fact indecent, nor to prove that an assault which might or might not be thought to be objectively indecent was in fact indecent.

That was not to say that evidence of the motive was never admissible. His Lordship accepted the proposition in *Smith and Hogan, Criminal Law* (5th edition (1983) p424): "While an indecent motive cannot convert an objectively decent act into an indecent assault, a decent motive may justify what would otherwise be an indecent act".

His Lordship added, first, that if the prosecution could not establish that an assault was objectively indecent, they were not allowed to fortify their case by calling evidence of a secret intention on the part of the defendant.

Second, if an assault was *prima facie* indecent, the defendant might seek to show that the circumstances of the assault were not in fact indecent, and for that purpose evidence of his intention would be relevant and admissible.

Solicitors: Lovell Son & Pitfield for Mr Owen H. Roberts, Rhyl; Crown Prosecution Service, Headquarters.

Arrears of periodical payments not to reduce benefit payable

McCorquodale v Chief Adjudication Officer

Before Lord Justice Purchas, Lord Justice Woolf and Lord Justice Mann

[Judgment April 26]

The payment of arrears of periodical payments to a person who also received supplementary benefit, made during the period the supplementary benefit payments were received but relating to a period prior to the first payment of supplementary benefit due, was not to be taken into account, under the Supplementary Benefits (Resources) Regulations (SI 1981 No 1527), so as to diminish the supplementary benefit payment.

The Court Of Appeal so held in reserved judgments allowing the appeal of Mrs Rhoda Kathleen McCorquodale against the decision of a social security commissioner on September 5, 1986, when he dismissed her appeal against the Wimbledon Social Security Appeal Tribunal's decision, dated January 7, 1985, which dismissed her appeal against decisions of a supplementary benefit officer, issued on February 6 and 16, 1984. The case was remitted to the appeal tribunal for further consideration as to the true period in respect of which the arrears were to be paid.

Regulation 13 of the 1981 Regulations provides: "(1) Any periodical payment, including any arrears paid periodically . . . by or derived from a liable relative . . . shall be taken in account in full as income."

Mr Mark Rowland for the appellant; Mr Duncan Ouseley for the chief adjudication officer.

LORD JUSTICE MANN said that the appellant's former husband had agreed under a court order made by consent and dated April 1982 to pay periodical payments to their son, who lived with the appellant, monthly in the sum of £78. The first payment she received was on January 20, 1984.

She began receiving supplementary benefits on a weekly basis in September 1983. In general, the amount of a person's benefit was determined by a weekly balance of needs and resources.

The supplementary benefits officer decided that the £78 was a resource which fell to be taken into account at the rate of £18 per week, under the calculations in regulation 9(2)(*e*), as from January 23, 1984.

His Lordship said that although regulation 13 provided for the rate of attribution as income in respect of lump sum payments, it was silent in regard to the actual week or weeks to which an attribution was to be made, and was silent as to that for periodical payments.

The supplementary benefits commissioner concluded that regulation 13 was a self-contained code for the treatment and application of payments made by or derived from liable relatives so that any periodical payment fell to be treated as income paid in the week in which it was received.

His Lordship said that under regulations 9(2)(a) and 13(1) the £78 monthly payment had to be taken in account in full; the critical question was to what period was it attributable?

If regulation 9(2)(a) applied it would be taken in account for the period of a month, and, under regulation 9(2)(b)(i), there would have to be an inquiry into the date "on which it is payable."

If the inquiry revealed that the date on which it was payable was anterior to the first benefit week, and the month beginning with that date was also wholly anterior to the first benefit week, there could be no diminution in the amount of benefit payable at the date when the sum was actually received, because there could be no attribution to the period which contained that date.

That did not apply to a payment of arrears which arose during the period in which a claimant enjoyed benefit. However, the appellant's case was that the £78 was payable as arrears in respect of months completely anterior to the first benefit week.

His Lordship said that since regulation 13 was silent as to the week or weeks to which an attribution was to be made and also the attribution exercise in regard to any periodical payment, regultion 9 had to apply.

There was no reason why a former wife whose former husband was in arrears at the date when she had her first benefit week should be in a worse position in regard to amount of benefit when arrears for the prior period were paid, than was the case of the former wife whose ex-husband was not so in arrears.

The prior absence of maintenance could well have led the first former wife into debt which the paid arrears would discharge.

LORD JUSTICE PURCHAS said that since the payments of arrears were established as being made in the form of periodical payments within regulation 13(1), the supplementary benefits officer should then have turned to regulations 9 to 12 dealing with the calculation of income arrears.

The somewhat intricate provisions in regulation 13 relating to the fair attribution of the capital resource represented by a lump sum payment were not relevant in the present case.

There were obvious difficulties in resorting to the magistrates' court to enforce payments since the appellant's former husband was living abroad.

She borrowed from friends and incurred debts; during that period she would have been entitled to supplementary benefit but she did not make a claim as she was obtaining money by borrowing. To that extent she relieved the commission from paying money which they would otherwise have been obliged to pay.

There was a strong case for saying that she was perfectly entitled to use the payments of arrears to meet the indebtedness incurred during the period of her former husband's failure to pay periodical payments.

Regulation 9(2)(b) and (c) was clearly drafted with that position in view. Payments paid in arrears relating to periods during which supplementary benefits were themselves paid properly fell due for reimbursement to the commission, but arrears in respect of payments that were payable before the payment of supplementary benefits had started were not fairly recouperable by the commission, and, therefore, should inure to the claimant's benefit.

Lord Justice Woolf agreed with both judgments.

Solicitors: Sinclair Taylor & Martin; Solicitor, DHSS.

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Regina v Board of Inland Revenue, Ex parte Goldberg

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HIS LORDSHIP, after reviewing the authorities, said that as the law stood, because the documents came into existence only for the purpose of obtaining advice from Mr Goldberg, they attracted privilege so that he could not, without the consent of his client, comply with the requirements of the notices served on him.

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MOTOR RACING

Toasting to a happy union

By John Blunsden

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Had they done so, maybe the boost limit for turbos would have been reduced even further. As it is, what had looked on paper to be a reasonable formula for close racing has given us instead two contests for the price of one.

The first is the seemingly exclusive one between Alain Prost and Ayrton Senna for the drivers' world championship (they might as well send the Constructors' Cup to the engravers today because it seems inconceivable that it would not have the McLaren name on it at the end of the year).

The other is the battle for third place, which promises to provide the highlight of most of the season's 16 races. Both contests, however, promise considerable entertainment.

Prost and Senna seem not only to be working well together, but to be enjoying doing so. They respect each other's talents and they are both disciplined professionals who will not allow their understandable personal rivalry to undermine their team effort.

Nevertheless, such being the competitiveness of their cars, they are each other's only effective rivals and they have warmed to the prospect of "a hard-fought but friendly battle" for the title during the latter part of the season.

Speaking after Sunday's 1-2 victory at Imola, McLaren's team director, Ron Dennis, said: "I think both of them did a very professional job. I am only sorry that it may have looked a little boring to the spectators – and particularly to the other drivers."

Senna, whom Prost acknowledges is faster in qualifying, though not necessarily so in the race, is in his element now that he has a car with which he can control the pace from the front. It all looked so easy for him on Sunday, especially after Prost's hesitant start gave him an immediate advantage. But he was not without his problems.

"My gear-change linkage started to come loose and I thought for a while it might break, like in Rio, but fortunately it just stayed loose," he said. "This meant that I had to be very careful with the lever but, even so, I missed a few changes.

GOLF

Strange's success

Houston (AFP) – Curtis Strange, the top-ranked American, birdied the 18th hole to force a play-off with Greg Norman, of Australia, and then birdied the third extra hole to win the Houston Open on Sunday.

Both men began the day on a three-round score of 203, 13-under-par on the Woodlands Country Club TPC 7,042-yard course. Norman moved ahead with a birdie on the 17th hole, but, on the final hole, Strange dropped his second shot within four feet of the hole and putted out to move into a 18-under-par tie. After Norman missed a chance to win on the first extra hole, Strange seized his opportunity with a lengthy putt at the third.

Tom Kite finished two strokes back at 16-under, followed by Jim Carter and Brian Tennyson at 13-under.

Jenny MacArthur meets a rider with a trilemma that is the envy of her rivals for a place in the Seoul sun

No Olympic mudlarks for the peerless Piglet

Rachel Hunt has been in an enviable quandary over the last week. While other top riders, including Mark Todd, the Olympic gold medal winner, and Richard Walker, a former Badminton winner, are without a ride for the Whitbread Championships, starting on Thursday, Miss Hunt has been trying to decide which of her three horses – Aloaf, Friday Fox and Piglet – to withdraw. The rules allow a rider to start only two. Miss Hunt's decision to pull out Piglet, who was runner-up at Badminton in 1986, underlines the strength of her hand.

Less enviable is the pressure under which she will be riding this week. Her performance on Aloaf at last year's European Championships made her an obvious candidate for the Seoul Olympics. Badminton is the main selection trial and she knows that a foot wrong this week could ruin her chances. "I think I've spent too long this spring worrying about it," she said. "Everyone's expectations of me are higher."

Hitherto she has had little problem fulfilling expectations. At just 23 she has represented Britain at five European Championships – at junior, young rider and senior level – and won a team gold medal at each. Unlike many of her contemporaries, she has moved easily from young rider to senior competition, helped by financial support from her step-father, Michael Lanz, and, since last year, from her sponsors, MacConnal-Mason.

She has ridden in the senior team on three occasions on three different horses and has maintained her record by winning a team gold medal at each: the 1986 Polish Championships (Piglet), the 1987 Stockholm International three-day event (Friday Fox) and the 1987 European Championships (Aloaf).

It was at the European Championships last year at Luhmühlen in West Germany that her fearless and instinctive cross-country riding – reminiscent of Lucinda Green's – was seen to most telling effect. She had been told to approach the vast parallel at the ninth fence slowly after Mrs Green had fallen there earlier.

Miss Hunt, a good 10 years younger than the three other team members, obeyed instructions to the letter with the result that Aloaf, going too slowly, just scraped over the second part of the fence. Miss Hunt flew out of the saddle but managed to haul herself back into position. Her recovery enabled Britain to take the gold and herself to finish fourth.

As a rule, Miss Hunt tries to copy Mrs Green's style across country. Their similarities do not stop with their riding. Both are slim and fair – cast in the mould of one of John Betjeman's cheerful, athletic girls. Mrs Green, now 34, was 19 when she won the first of her six Badmintons, Miss Hunt was 21 when she was runner-up. Both are quick to blame themselves, not their horse, when something goes wrong.

Something went unusually wrong last month. At Belton Horse Trials in Lincolnshire, Aloaf, super-fit and excited, went over backwards with Miss Hunt at the start of the cross-country. Bravely continuing, she had an alarming ride, culminating in a second fall at the penultimate fence. "It shattered my confidence, I had never had a ride like that before," Miss Hunt said.

Fortunately, advice was on hand. Ginny Leng, the world champion, had experienced similar problems



Rachel Hunt: great expectations

once with Night Cap. "Just remember to kick before you pull," she said. The following week a copybook round with Aloaf at Brigstock, his dress rehearsal for Badminton, restored Miss Hunt's confidence.

Although this will be Aloaf's first Badminton, it is Miss Hunt's fourth. On each of the three previous occasions she has ridden Piglet who, like the home-bred Aloaf, was given to her in 1982 by her step-brother, David Lanz, when he gave up eventing. Piglet's pony stride prevents him from doing a good dressage test – a point not lost on the selectors – but across country he is without peer.

At their first Badminton in 1984 they finished twelfth. The next year they again completed Badminton despite a fall at the quarry ("all my fault – I kicked him all the way up the steps") and in 1986, in appalling wet conditions, which Piglet loves, they moved up from 47th place after the dressage to second after the cross-country.

It is because of Piglet's weak dressage that Miss Hunt has rejected him this week in favour of Friday Fox, the coloured mare – out of her mother Sue's favourite pony hunter – with whom she is best associated. "We learnt everything together," she said.

Their progress was accelerated when they came under the eye of Gill Watson, the architect of Britain's Young Riders' successes. Friday became the mainstay of the Young Riders team, adding three team gold medals to the one she won in junior competition in 1983.

Until now Mrs Sue Hunt has been reluctant to enter Friday Fox at Badminton in case anything should happen to her. This year she has relented. Miss Hunt is delighted. "I've always wanted to ride her at Badminton. Then I'll probably retire her and write a book about her." Although she has made her decision to ride Friday and Aloaf this week – with the Olympics in mind – the possibility of rain still provokes doubts. "Piglet's so brilliant in the mud."



Breadwinner: Aloaf, out of Mother's Pride, will be facing his first Badminton (Photograph: Kit Houghton)

RUGBY UNION: SURPRISING DEGREE OF OPPOSITION TO VISIT TO REPUBLIC

Scotland refuse permission for players to tour South Africa

By David Hands, Rugby Correspondent

The Scottish Rugby Union (SRU) has aligned itself with Wales, Ireland and New Zealand in refusing to give any of its players permission to visit South Africa this summer as part of an invitation world party.

The SRU did not elaborate yesterday on its reasons but its full committee, meeting last Friday, decided against acceptance of an invitation from the South African Rugby Board for players to take part in the proposed seven-match tour (including two full internationals) in August/September. The tour is intended to celebrate the golden jubilee of Northern Transvaal and the centenary of Eastern Province.

This means that only England (whose full committee last Friday endorsed the executive's decision that players must remain free to decide for themselves), Australia and France, of the senior members of the International Rugby Football Board (IRFB), are prepared to pass on invitations to nominated players.

It indicates a degree of opposition to South Africa's plans which was wholly unexpected given the alacrity with which they proceeded after the IRFB had cleared the way in March for tours to the republic.

Given also the surprise from member countries which attended the International Board's decision to impose a 12-week suspension of playing activities for anyone wishing to cross from hemisphere to hemisphere to find their rugby, it might appear to the outsider, that the left hand in rugby does not know what the right hand is doing.

A professional hand takes the amateur reins on May 31, when Keith Rowlands begins his role as the first permanent board secretary.

The Scottish union is also concerned at indiscipline within the game and intends to mete out stiffer sentences to players sent off next season. They have written warning letters to three unspecified clubs whose players have been guilty of abusive behaviour towards referees, threatening suspension unless there is an improvement.

● The New Zealand youth team is to visit Scotland next season and it is proposed that they play Scotland under-21 as a curtain-raiser to the Scotland v Australia international at Murrayfield on November 19. Indeed the SRU are considering the practice of playing curtain-raisers before all their home internationals in future.

● Three more players have withdrawn from Scotland's tour party to Zimbabwe this month. Brown, the Boroughmuir hooker, replaces Corcoran (Gala); Leslie (Edinburgh Academicals) takes the back-row place of the injured Marshall (Wakefield); and no replacement has yet been announced for Exeter, the Moseley centre, who has a damaged hamstring.

Captaincy passes to Berbizier

Pierre Berbizier will lead France on their tour to South America this summer, even though Dubroca, captain during the past two years, is among the party (David Hands writes). It is, however, Dubroca's swansong, and the inference must be that Berbizier, the influential scrum half, will captain France in the five nations' championship next season.

The two Agen players have been allies in all France's matches since 1986, with Berbizier doing much of the interpretation behind the scrum. Indeed, a parallel can be drawn with the career of Jacques Fouroux, the French coach, who captained France from scrum half towards the end of his playing career before becoming coach, which is the position Berbizier, 30 in June, has already been tipped for

France are taking a full party of 30 to South America, where they play two internationals

FRENCH TOUR PARTY: S Blanco (Biarritz), J-B Lafond (Racing Club), P Lagisquet (Bayonne), B Lascombe (Agen), P Berot (Agen), F Velo (Grenoble), P Sella (Agen), D Charvet (Toulouse), M Andrieu (Nimes), F Mesnel (Racing Club), J-P Lescarboura (Dax), D Camberabero (Begles), P Berbizier (Agen, captain), H Sanz (Narbonne), P Ondarts (Biarritz), P Marocco (Montferrand), J-P Garuet (Lourdes), L Armary (Lourdes), D Dubroca (Agen), P Dintrans (Tarbes), P Berard (Dax), J Condom (Biarritz), A Lorieux (Aix-les-Bains), D Erbani (Agen), A Carminati (Beziers), M Cecillon (Bourgoin), E Champ (Toulon), J Gratton (Agen), C Hernandez (Montferrand), L Rodriguez (Dax).

ITINERARY: June 4: v Argentine champions (Buenos Aires); June 7: v Regional Selection (Tucuman); June 11: v Argentine B (Buenos Aires); June 14: Regional Selection Posadas); June 18: v Argentina (Buenos Aires); June 21: v Regional Selection (Cordoba); June 25: v Argentina (Buenos Aires); June 28: v Paraguay (Asuncion).

WATER POLO

League move to have ban lifted

Officials of the outlawed National Water Polo League are expected to discipline the players who allegedly went on an illicit trip to South Africa. And they hope that, by taking independent action over the matter, the Amateur Swimming Association will lift their indefinite ban on top level water polo in Britain.

The ASA had imposed the ban because they were not satisfied with the sport's handling of an inquiry into the alleged trip by 11 players to South Africa. It brought cries of "blackmail" from angry water polo officials, but despite their protests, the ASA decided to maintain their ban on division one matches and international fixtures, although agreeing to withdraw the suspension of the bottom three leagues and women's matches.

But, after an emergency National Water Polo League committee meeting, the signs were that the ban could soon be lifted completely, with the League pondering a possible suspension of the eleven. The League will be asking the individuals, a list of whom were supplied to the League by the ASA, to attend a hearing in front of its general committee on May 22.

The League will contact the ASA with the results of the hearing, and a spokesman explained: "The League now looks forward to the imminent lifting of suspension imposed by the ASA on the first division."

VOLLEYBALL

Threat to Spring Cup

By Roddy Mackenzie

The future format of the West European Championships, the Spring Cup, remains under review after this year's respective men's and women's events ended in Gothenburg and Athens at the weekend. Belgium have withdrawn their offer to host the women's event next year after losing money on staging the European Championships and the EEC Games look increasingly likely

Within the next 10 days, letters will go out to the member countries of the European Community seeking to confirm interest in the proposed EEC Games and already eight or nine countries have verbally agreed to compete. An extraordinary meeting of the Spring Cup nations will take place in July

There is a possibility that the men's West European Championships, to be staged in Portugal next year, could be brought forward to April 16-23 and that would allow nations also to compete in the EEC Games in Spain which have been pencilled in for a start date of May 25. Alternatively, the Spring Cup could be staged every two years instead of annually, or the final possibility is that a league system be introduced for the European Championships

Revival of forgotten arts

It is Canada's good fortune that the English cup champions will be among them next week. And even though it is not a full-strength Harlequins party that will play four matches against club opposition, it will look good on the hoardings and should do the attendances in and around Vancouver no harm at all (David Hands writes).

Harlequins leave for their tour on Monday, having contributed so much to an English season which has seen a revival of some forgotten arts. They and Leicester, the inaugural league champions, can be coupled as teams of the year, not only because of their achievements, but also for the way they achieved them.

Both sides have, in present jargon, "maximised" their resources, which is something that Bath, after the first of their four successive cup wins, did not always do. Nor did Wasps, who had hoped to become London's first cup winners this season. Had Wasps used their backs more consistently in their cup semi-final with Harlequins, it might have been them at Twickenham last weekend.

Harlequins have also provided an apt stage for some refreshing talents: Edwards, aged 23, their lock, has enjoyed a magnificent season and must surely figure in England's B plans next year; Thresher, aged 25, has come of age at full back – "It's nice to see that someone actually listens to what you say," Dick Best, his coach, said. "He had been letting balls bounce early in the season and I had a go at him about it. He was tremendous in the final."

Much has already been written of Carling, still only 22, who has won five caps this season and played with a maturity which ignores his limited first-class experience. So rarely is he put down in the tackle, which argues immense strength in a compact 13st 10lb, 5ft 11in frame; allied to pace and good hands, he seems destined for a long run in the national side.

But the true bonus of having Leicester and Harlequins as the country's champions is the example they have set to the next generation. They have demonstrated that Rugby Union remains a game of vivid movement; of risk, adventure and appeal for those sides and players who work at their basic skills and fitness.

Both Bristol, the beaten cup finalists, and Bath have the capacity to be the same, as have Wasps, while Orrell in the north offer some signs of adventure

Imperial Tobacco, who have sponsored the cup competition for 13 years, have still to decide whether to renew their support. Given the quality of the final and its growing popularity, it will be a surprise if they withdraw now.

Racing results from the 10 Bank Holiday meetings

Haydock Park

Going: soft

12.50 (2m 6f hdle) 1, DOM EDINO (R Marley, 15-2); 2, Autumn Sport (S Sherwood, 9-1); 3, The Bakewell Boy (J Frost, 7-1 jf-fav). ALSO RAN: 7 (j-fav Chase The Line (5th), Dilmy Wish, 7 Cashcann (pu), 10 Little Toro (4th), 14 Bishopdale (6th), Deadline, 16 Le Carotte, Longriver Lady, 20 Red Ruddel, 33 Little Serenity. 15 ran. 1½l, 1½l, hd, 20l. T½l, M Avison at Newton. Tote: £7.60; £3.10, £3.30. £1.90. DF: £30.20. CSF: £73.67. Tricast: £466.42.

1.30 (2m hdle) 1, PAST GLORIES (P A Farrell, 16-1); 2, Cashews King (P Dever, 20-1); 3, Baldale Star (J Lower, 10-1); 4, Fairway Lad (S Sherwood, 9-2 fav). ALSO RAN: 10 High Knowl, 11 Floyd, 12 Nohalmdun, Prideaux Boy, Rushmoor, 16 Gaye Brief, Tartan Tailor, Convinced (pu), Swing Player, Ballydurrow, Freemason, Commerere, 20 Jazzies (5th), 25 Star's Delight, Gods Fox, Mickoyec, 33 Domaric, Indian Orator, 50 Skygrange (pu). 23 ran. NR: Shean Lad. 2½l, 6l, ½l, ½l, 1l, W Elsey at Malton. Tote: £15.50; £4.40, £3.00, £2.70. £1.70 DF: £146.30. CSF: £256.99. Tricast: £3,072.22.

2.0 (2m 3f hdle) 1, BLAZING WALKER (K Jones, 11-1); 2, Dual Capacity (C Smith, 12-1); 3, Blarrion Reserve (S Smith Eccles, 5-4 fav). ALSO RAN, 6 Afanstoun (6th), 10 Tribute To You, Pit Pony, 14 Murajah (pu), 16 Viking Rocket (4th), Charlie Dickens (pu), The Ram (pu), 25 Russian Lullaby, Native Smile (5th), 33 Young Commander (pu). 12 ran. NR: Falling Leaf. ¾l, 20l, ½l, 10l, ¾l, W A Stephenson at Bishop Auckland. Tote: £11.90; £2.90, £10.00, £1.20 DF: £321.30. CSF: £128.32. Tricast: £258.06.

2.30 (5f) 1, NO MORE THE FOOL (J Carroll, 1-2 fav); 2, Tracey's Ladd (A Munro, 16-1); 3, Burtonswoods Best (J H Brown, 25-1). ALSO RAN: 9-2 Auto Benz (4th), 8 Chronological (5th), 12 Persian Monarch (6th), 16 Glastondale, 25 Hannah's Boy. 8 ran. ¾l, 9l, hd, 1½l, ¾l, J Berry at Cockerham. Tote: £1.90; £1.20, £2.90, £3.90. DF: £11.20. CSF: £10.58. 1min 05.67sec.

3.0 (1m) 1, STONE FOREST (M Hills, 8-13 fav); 2, Acestes (N Connorton, 6-1); 3, Ancient Ritual (A Mercer, 20-1). ALSO RAN: 6 Charme The Nickle, 11 Reed (4th), 12 Courageous Bidder (5th), 20 Victoria Gate, 25 Paradise Beach (5th), 33 Tribal Ruler. 9 ran. NR: Pomperuvo. 5l, 2l, nk, 2l, ½l, B Hills, Manton. Tote: £1.90; £1.20, £1.30, £4.50. DF: £4.00. CSF: £5.54. 1min 50.97 secs.

3.30 (1m 4f) 1, CASUAL PASS (A Munro, 14-1); 2, Taylormade Boy (L Charnock, 4-1); 3, Bedther (J Glassdale, 5-1). ALSO RAN: 5-2 fav Tiquegreen (6th), 11-4 Mount Olympus, 8 Ebolito, 12 Miami Holiday (4th), 25 ABC Superstar (5th). 8 ran. 7l, nk, 12l, 25l. B Richards at Greystoke. Tote: £20.20 £4.00, £1.20. £2.20. DF: £25.70. CSF: £68.91. Tricast: £298.15. 2min 44.74sec. NR: Boldden, Al Shamikh, Bold Difference.

Placepot: £100.50

Kempton Park

Going: good

2.10 (5f) 1, SHARP JUSTICE (W R Swinburn, 13-2); 2, Sensational (J Lowe, 7-2 fav); 3, Haffir (B Rouse, 12-1). ALSO RAN: 5 Brown Pepper (5th), 6 Amigo Menor, 7 Out Run (4th), 20 Fearless Dancer, Song Of Honour (5th), 33 Always Great, Benny Leonard, Analova's Passion, Nice Catch. 12 ran. 1½l, hd, 4l, 5l, 2l, M Ryan at Newmarket. Tote: £11.10; £2.60, £1.50, £2.90. DF: £37.10. CSF: £24.53. 1mm 01.53 sec.

2.40 (1m 2f) 1, STATEN ISLAND (G Bardwell, 11-2); 2, Tradmy Of Bonnets (M Roberts, 8-1); 3, Doctor Rhythm (J Lowe, 12-1); 4, Knock Knock (S Dawson, 15-2). ALSO RAN: 4 fav Big Finish, 10 Pleasure Dancer, Sexton, 12 Native Knight (6th), 14 Picowus, Take Issue, 16 True Queen (5th), 20 Au Bon, Baby Merle, Marrsfield House, 33 Brave Star, Cabo Bay, Johnny Dangerously. 17 ran. ½l, 4l, nk, sh hd, 1l, N Callaghan at Newmarket. Tote: £5.40; £1.70, £2.00, £3.40, £1.60. DF: £28.60. CSF: £49.29. Tricast: £476.74. 2mm 05.95sec.

3.10 (5f) 1, ABATHATIC (S Whitworth, 9-4 fav); 2, Perfect Timing (W R Swinburn, 6-1); 3, Careless Whisper (N Carlisle, 12-1). ALSO RAN: 4 Albert Henry (6th), Polykratis (4th), 7 Pick Of The Pack, 9 Micro Love (5th), 7 ran. NR: Warringtonmargaret. 1½l, ¾l, ½l, ¾l, sh hd, C Nelson at Upper Lambourn. Tote: £3.10; £2.10, £3.50. DF: £20.90. CSF: £17.94. Tricast: £155.41. 59.44secs.

3.40 (1m) 1, JUST A FLUTTER (C Asmussen, 11-2 jt-fav); 2, Gold Prospect (M Roberts, 11-2 jt-fav); 3, Cuvee Charlie (M Rimmer, 9-1). ALSO RAN: 11-2 jt-fav Hooray Lady, 6 Kingsfold Flame (5th), 13-2 Cape Wild, 10 Bold Pillager, 12 Centauri, Chimes Of The Dawn (6th), 20 Fusilier (4th), Ci Siamo. 11 ran. 5l, ½l, ¾l, 5l, 2½l, M Jarvis at Newmarket. Tote: £4.90; £1.90, £2.40, £3.60. DF: £12.60. CSF: £33.12. Tricast: £238.82. 1mn 38.89sec.

4.10 (6f) 1, PRIMA DOMINA (C Asmussen, 8-1); 2, Masarrah (Pat Eddery, 7-2); 3, Sleeping Beauty (J Matthias, 8-1). ALSO RAN: 100-30 jt-fav Thorner Lane (5th), Lapse, 12 Artjah, Goldust (4th), 14 Carpe Diem, 16 Sister Chabnas, 20 Little Visitor, 25 Alrayhah, Alghamsah, Enchanted Tale (5th), 33 Chain Of Luck, Donosa, 50 Titan Beauty, Zagadka, Zankino. 18 ran. 1l, ¾l, 2l, 1l, sh hd, P Mellaney at Newmarket. Tote: £8.10; £2.70, £1.80, £3.20. DF: £9.10. CSF: £39.49. 1mn 13.06sec.

4.40 (1m 4f) 1, GO FORUM (W Carson, 15-8 fav); 2, Jade Star (G Bardwell, 14-1); 3, Calabrese (B Rouse, 5-1). ALSO RAN: 7 Lesbet, 8 Reggae Beat (6th), 9 Patroclus (4th), 10 Grey Bullet, 12 Freemantle, Pen Bal Princess, 14 Chaz (5th), 20 Glen Club, 33 Carlax, Involved Again, Kilbarry Lad. 14 ran. 3l, ½l, 2l, 1l, 5l, J Sutcliffe at Epsom. Tote: £3.10; £1.80, £4.10, £1.70. DF: £41.70. CSF: £30.97. 2min 36.99sec.

5.10 (7f) 1, AJUGA (Pat Eddery, 7-1); 2, Lord Fastidious (A Mackay, 10-1); 3, Fabled Lonsdale (D McKay, 16-1). ALSO RAN: 2 fav Ela-Yrana-Mou, 6 Kremlin Guard (5th), 7 Milmraz (4th), Pmaulette, 8 Noble Naven, 10 Dealers Delight, 14 Tapestry Prints, Very Adjacent (6th), 16 Blue Ensign. 12 ran. 2½l, 2l, ½l, 1l, 2l, B Hills at Manton. Tote: £8.00; £2.70, £2.80, £7.20. DF: £113.10. CSF: £70.57. Tricast: £995.44. 1min 26.54 sec.

Jackpot: Not won. Pool of £21,533.02 carried over to Chester today.

Placepot: £146.00.

Doncaster

Going: good (good to soft straight)

2.0 (5l) 1, Dancing Daza (J Reid, 8-1); 2, Copyray (25-1); 3, Syrus P Turntable (9-4 fav). 15 ran. ½l, ½l, J Berry. Tote: £10.40; £2.80, £255.10, £1.80. DF: £753.30. CSF: £201.66.

2.30 (7f) 1, Sugar Token (D Nicholls, 5-1); 2, Free Expression (5-1); 3, Lucky Can (9-2). Ny Dwar 5-2 fav, 14 ran. ½l, 1½l. W Pearce. Tote: £5.40; £1.90, £1.60, £1.50. DF: £11.10. CSF: £26.68.

3.0 (1m) 1, Bright Aisle (S Cauthen, 4-1); 2, Go Win Gold (M Birch, 13-2); 3, Bonny Quiver (G Duffield, 9-1). Prince Of The Lake 11-10 fav. 9 ran. NR: Britannia Bell. 3l, 1l. J W Watts. Tote: £4.00: £1.70, £2.20, £4.40. DF: £19.60. CSF: £34.24. Tricast: £222.42.

3.30 (5f) 1, Anthony Loretto (M Birch, 6-1); 2, Hansom Lad (10-1); 3, Gemini Fire (14-1). Distant Ruler 7-2 fav. 13 ran. NR: Joe Sugden. ½l, 1l. R Casey. Tote: £7.50; £2.20, £3.00, £5.20. DF: £76.00. CSF: £72.20. Tricast: £786.85.

4.0 (7f) 1, Midnight Raver (S Cauthen, 7-2); 2, Diamond Tip (5-1); 3, Golden Petingo (10-1). Baddens Lad 11-8 fav, 13 ran, 4l, ¾l, N Tinkler. Tote: £4.30; £1.60, £1.70, £4.30. DF: £22.00. CSF: £25.53.

4.30 (1m 2f 50yd) 1, Nisstell (B Raymond, 8-11 fav); 2, Cashmere N Caviar (5-1); 3, Beau Nash (11-2). 8 ran. NR: Barnaby Ben. 1l, 5l, S Dow. Tote: £1.80; £1.20, £1.50, £1.70. DF: £4.00. CSF: £5.70. Tricast: £13.26.

5.0 (1m 4f) 1, Moscow Society (S Cauthen, 8-13 fav); 2, Dam Buster (16-1); 3, Needle Light (12-1). 12 ran. 1½l, 12l, H Cecil. Tote: £1.70; £1.20, £2.10, £2.50. DF: £5.40. CSF: £12.78.

Placepot: £307.50

Warwick

Going: good to soft

1.45 (5l) 1, Night Lady (K Darley, 14-1); 2, Konbola (11-10 fav); 3, Do-I-Know-You (9-2). 13 ran. ¾l, 1½l, J Berry. Tote: £17.80; £4.00, £1.40, £1.40. DF: £33.40. CSF: £29.44. Four-Legged Friend (12-1) withdrawn, not under orders – rule 4 applies to all bets, deduction 5p in pound.

2.15 (1m) 1, Farewell Song (F Arrowsmith, 11-1); 2, Sparkford Lad (14-1); 3, No Jazz (14-1). 4, Golden Topaz (20-1). In A Spin 11-2 fav. 23 ran. NR: Acamburu, Calypso Kid. 1l, 4l. I Balding. Tote: £8.30; £2.00, £3.10, £2.90. £11.90. DF: £37.40. CSF: £152.48. Tricast: £1,990.76.

2.45 (1m 6f 180yd) 1, Celtic Dove (J Williams, 11-1); 2, Holly Brown (10-1); 3, Velda (17-2). Lurex Girl 7-2 fav. 13 ran. 5l, 2½l. C Nelson. Tote: £5.10; £2.10, £3.80. £3.80. DF: £31.90. CSF: £107.79. Tricast: £900.13.

3.15 (1m 2f 170yd) 1, Star Of Ireland (J Williams, 10-1); 2, Cheerful Times (10-1); 3, Vague Melody (9-1); 4, Vickstown (25-1). Black Comedy 11-4 fav, 20 ran, 4l, 3l, G Price. Tote: £12.20; £2.40, £2.90 £1.80, £5.70. DF: £104.70. CSF: £99.28. Tricast: £951.94.

3.45 (5f) 1, Anns May Wong (P Bloomfield, 9-1); 2, Miami Pride (11-10 fav); 3, Merry Mannequin (12-1). 8 ran. 1l, sh hd. A Bailey. Tote: £9.40; £2.20, £1.60, £2.20. DF: £9.80. CSF: £20.00. Bought in 1,000gns.

4.15 (1m) 1, Lady Chatterley (T Ives, Evens fav); 2, Lexis (33-1); 3, Best Niece (5-2). 18 ran. 1l, ¾l. I Balding. Tote: £3.60; £1.50, £7.40, £1.70. DF: £457.20. CSF: £50.83.

4.45 (7f) 1, Rostovel (R Cochrane, 14-1); 2, Benediction (6-1); 3, Hajar (14-1); 4, Incredible Lady (25-1). Samalia Jack 7-2 fav. 20 ran. 5l, 2½l. Mrs L Piggott. Tote: £17.20; £2.30, £1.90, £3.20, £4.50. DF: £54.40. CSF: £86.03. Tricast: £1,078.25.

5.15 (1m) 1, White-Wash (A Clark, 20-1); 2, Queen Of Ballet (15-2); 3, Martian Princess (8-1). Sea Saga 4-7 fav. 18 ran. 1½l, 2l. J Dunlop. Tote: £22.10; £5.90, £2.60, £2.80. DF: £73.90. CSF: £184.63.

Placepot: £175.30.

Newcastle

Going: good to soft

2.15 (3m ch) 1, Jack Of Clubs (B Storey, 2-1 jt-fav); 2, Cool Brew (2-1 jt-fav); 3, Durham Edition (2-1 jt-fav). 5 ran. 3l, 2½l. B McLean. Tote: £2.80; £1.50, £1.40. DF: £2.90. CSF: £5.96.

2.45 (2m 4f hdle) 1, Track Angel (D Byrne, 15-2); 2, Scarborough Boy (7-1); 3, Sleyglity (10-1). Champagne Charlie, Oriental Express 9-2 jt-favs. 18 ran. 12l, 1l. K Stone. Tote: £7.80; £2.40, £2.50. £5.30. DF: £18.30. CSF: £61.45.

3.15 (3m ch) 1, Saint Howe (Mr A Costello, 13-2); 2, Noble Music (20-1); 3, Mossmirror (5-2). Laid Money 7-4 fav. 4 ran. 8l, 1½l. W A Stephenson. Tote: £9.90; £2.90, £4.10, £3.20. DF: £103.60. CSF: £98.69. Tricast: £6,799.35.

3.45 (2m hdle) 1, Southern Minstrel (C Grant, 9-4); 2, Lightwater Aqueen (5-8 fav); 3, Royal Scarlet (100-1). 23 ran. NR: Drovers Road. 4l, 3l. W A Stephenson. Tote: £4.10; £1.50, £1.40, £48.10. DF: £3.00. CSF: £5.17. After a stewards' inquiry the result stood.

4.15 (2m 4f ch) 1, Worthy Knight (B Storey, 9-4); 2, Gowan House (2-1); 3, Harley (6-4 fav). 4 ran. 1½l, 30l. B McLean. Tote: £3.40. DF: £3.00. CSF: £6.54. After a stewards' inquiry the result stood.

4.45 (2m 4f ch) 1, Stay On Tracks (C Grant, 8-11 fav); 2, Bingster (33-1); 3, Ryecroft (16-1). 13 ran. 15l, 4l. W A Stephenson. Tote: £2.00; £1.50, £11.50, £1.80. DF: £72.80. CSF: £27.50.

5.15 (2m hdle) 1, Warwick Suite (P Harte, 5-4 fav); 2, Tina's Brig (4-1); 3, Ringmore (9-1). 8 ran. NR: Sherman Gurney, Ruckley. hd, 4l. M Naughton. Tote: £2.50; £1.40, £1.50, £2.40. DF: £4.70. CSF: £8.06. Tricast: £37.05.

Placepot: £740.20

Fontwell Park

Going: good to firm

2.0 (3m 2f 110yd ch) 1, Western Tint (Mr C Burnett Wells, 16-1); 2, Paulstim (2-1 fav); 3, Takeatence (5-1). 6 ran. NR: Mr Moonraker, Sauders. 3l, ¾l. Miss L Bower. Tote: £17.10; £5.60, £1.50. DF: £19.00. CSF: £44.38.

2.30 (2m 2f hdle) 1, Oh My Joy (R Goldsteln, 5-1); 2, Red Billy (5-4 fav); 3, Pells Close (12-1). 8 ran. 4l, hd. Miss G Saunders. Tote: £5.00; £2.00, £1.80. £3.90. DF: £6.30. CSF: £12.72.

3.0 (2m 2f 110yd ch) 1, Nicky's Joy (R Goldsteln, 8-1); 2, Paddyboro (13-8 fav); 3, Fearless Imp (4-1). 11 ran. 6l, nk. P Hedger. Tote: £9.40; £1.90, £1.70, £1.90. DF: £10.70. CSF: £21.99.

3.30 (2m 4f ch) 1, The Luckpenny Man (M Perrett, 7-2); 2, Davy's Wee (4-5 fav); 3, Punters Lad (16-1). 6 ran. 12l, hd. Mrs L Clay. Tote: £4.30; £1.40, £1.30. DF: £2.40. CSF: £6.41.

4.0 (2m 6f hdle) 1, Moorland Lady (P Corrigan, 11-4 jt-fav); 2, Stirabout (14-1); 3, Welsh Display (33-1). Le Grand Dame 11-4 jt-fav. 12 ran. NR: Sheik's Brother, Freeracer. ½l, 8l. P Hedger. Tote: £3.60; £1.70, £3.70, £14.80. DF: £32.80. CSF: £40.61.

4.30 (2m 2f hdle) 1, Marquese Cafe (I Lawrence, 13-2); 2, Secret Rite (2-1 fav); 3, Brunan (12-1); 4, Gentleman Angler (14-1). 19 ran. NR: Knobi Obi. 1½l, ½l. A Hicks. Tote: £8.00; £1.70, £1.70, £3.30. DF: £7.50. CSF: £21.62.

Placepot: £62.90.

Towcester

Going: firm

2.0 (2m hdle) 1, H And K Weger (M Ahern, 5-1); 2, Jim Bowie (9-1); 3, Nemoos (9-2). Bonny Prince Ivor 3-1 fav. 16 ran. NR: Eyesight, Kelly's Pilgrim. 1l, 2½l. D Gandolfo. Tote: £5.50; £2.00, £2.30. £2.10. DF: £37.60. CSF: £54.38.

2.30 (3m 180yd ch) 1, Gratification (B de Haan, 8-1); 2, Kitsinger (7-2); 3, Woodside Road (7-2). Lean On Evens fav. 7 ran. 2l. F Winter. Tote: £8.50; £2.90, £2.20. DF: £14.50. CSF: £42.57.

3.0 (2m 5f 26yd hdle) 1, Princely Heir (C Cox, 12-1); 2, Developer's Run (2-1 jt-fav); 3, The Enid (2-1 jt-fav). 9 ran. NR: Pale Chief. 1½l. 2. Mrs S Mimns. Tote: £2.90; £2.90, £1.40, £1.30. DF: £22.10. CSF: £38.41.

3.30 (2m hdle) 1, Hogmanay (Steve Knight, 11-8 fav); 2, La Moulin (7-2); 3, Jay-Dee-Jay (15-2). 8 ran. 4l, 1½l. R Casey. Tote: £2.10; £1.40, £1.10, £2.20. DF: £3.30. CSF: £7.19.

4.0 (2m 50yd ch) 1, Headin' On (A O'Hagan, 13-8); 2, Dim Drums (10-11 fav); 3, Nicky's Knight (4-1). 3 ran. 2l, 15l. K White. Tote: £2.40. DF: £1.40. CSF: £3.33.

4.30 (2m 5f 110yd ch) 1, Fury Maser (Mr G Tarry, 9-2); 2, Sidewinder (13-8 fav); 3, Misty Park (7-2). 8 ran. 1½l, 2l. G Tarry. Tote: £5.90; £2.20, £1.10, £1.40. DF: £8.80. CSF: £13.26.

Placepot: £27.20.

Devon & Exeter

Going: good to soft

2.15 (2m 1f hdle) 1, High Warrior (B Powell, 8-1); 2, Full Speed Ahead (25-1); 3, Hot Girl (16-1). Malicho 9-4 fav. 18 ran. 7l, sh hd. C Popham. Tote: £7.50; £2.40, £10.00, £2.50. DF: £981.40. CSF: £157.37.

2.45 (2m 1f hdle) 1, The Leggett (Peter Hobbs, 10-1); 2, Tabys Pride (12-1); 3, Royal Pavilion (4-8 fav). 18 ran. 1½l, hd. P Hobbs. Tote: £18.00; £2.80, £3.10, £1.30. DF: £142.40. CSF: £122.60.

3.15 (3m 1f ch) 1, Redgrave Rose (S Earle, 3-1); 2, Bolt Hole (6-1); 3, Wimbledall (33-1). Clear Choice 2-1 fav. 15 ran. Nk, Sl. K Bishop. Tote: £4.00; £1.80, £2.90. £10.40. DF: £10.10. CSF: £24.41.

3.45 (2m 1f hdle) 1, Lahanse Girl (R Guest, 4-1); 2, Annaben (8-1); 3, Mr Corman (100-30). Valverde 11-4 fav. 10 ran. NR: Stamford Rose. 8l, 1½l, G Balding. Tote: £5.00; £1.50, £2.80, £1.80. DF: £21.10. CSF: £37.45.

4.15 (2m 1f ch) 1, Iona (P Haley, 25-1); 2, Mountain Maer (4-1); 3, Prize Asset (5-1). Donavan's Choice 3-1 fav. 15 ran. ½l

Kalakate ready to upset Hern hope

By Mandarin
(Michael Phillips)

Kalakate, with Pat Eddery aboard, can put a cat among the ante-post pigeons by beating the new Derby favourite Unfuwain in the Dalham Chester Vase on the Roodeye today, and he is my nap.

His trainer Geoff Wragg has a particularly soft spot for this race and with every reason.

His late father Harry, to whom he was assistant for 30 years until he finally took over the reins in 1983, won it first in 1959 with Fidalgo.

In subsequent years Sovrango, Ormindo, Shantallah and Old Bill were others to score for them.

Now hopes are running high that Kalakate can take the prize back to Abbingdon Place again even though Unfuwain, whose winning distance at Epsom a fortnight ago was 15 lengths, is in the line-up.

Apart from his own horse's good health and form, Wragg's principal source of encouragement is the way that stable companion Red Glow performed against Minster Son in the Newmarket Stakes last Friday.

For it is common knowledge on the racetrack that there is not much between Unfuwain and Minster Son on the gallops, just as there was little between them when they clashed at Newbury first time out last August.

The key to today's outcome could easily be determined by which of the main protagonists handles the track the best.

Wragg is adamant that Kalakate, whose dam is a full sister to their 1976 winner Old Bill, will go round the sharp Chester course like a top.

I must confess to having reservations about Unfuwain having seen him become unbalanced at Epsom.

Nevertheless, it must be conceded that Dick Hern, whose stable is now on a crest, also knows what it takes to win this prize having come up trumps already with Remand, Henbit, Kaytu and Dry Dock, only last year.

Earlier in the day, the combination of Wragg and Eddery can win the Great Cheshire Handicap with **Mill Plantation** a third time.

In the Grosvenor Graduation Stakes **Lazaz** and **Mulfit**, each so promising first time out, could find the more experienced and in-form **My Lamb** too strong for them around this tight course.

At Kempton this evening, I give Steve Cauthen a good chance of landing a double on **Padre Pio** (7.0) and **Literati** (8.0).

Padre Pio, my selection for the Hawkins Harrow Handicap, finished a highly commendable fifth behind Albert Henry at Sandown Park first time out.

Princess Athena, the winner of the Queen Mary Stakes at Royal Ascot last June, makes a belated return to the track for the Double Schwartz Stakes. Trained by David Elsworth, that remarkable man for all seasons, she could easily stage a comeback in this company.

Finally, make a note of the recent Great Metropolitan Handicap winner **Empire Blue**, who turns out for the Princess Handicap.

CHESTER

Selections

By Mandarin

2.15 Kafu Lady.
2.45 Mill Plantation.
3.15 KALAKATE (nap).
3.45 My Lamb.
4.15 Sonilla.
4.45 Joveworth.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent

2.15 Desert Dawn.
2.45 Mill Plantation.
3.15 KALAKATE (nap).
3.45 Lazaz.
4.15 Warring States.
4.45 Reindeer Walk.

By Michael Seely

3.15 Unfuwain. 3.45 MULFIT (nap). 4.15 Restless Don.

The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 2.45 THE YOMPER.

Guide to our in-line racecard

103 (12) 0-0432 GOOD TIMES 74 (CD,BF,F,G,S) (Mrs D Robinson) B Hall 9-10-0 ..... B West (4) 98

Racecard number. Draw in brackets. Six-figure form (F – fell. P – pulled up. U – unseated rider. B – brought down. S – slipped up. R – refused. D – disqualified. Horse's name. Days since last outing: J if last (jumps. F if last (B – blinkers. V – visor. H – hood. E – Eyeshield. C – course winner. D – distance winner. CD – course and distance winner. BF – beaten favourite in latest race). Going on which horse has won (F – firm, good to firm, hard. G – good. S – soft, good to soft, heavy). Owner in brackets: Trainer. Age and weight. Rider plus any allowance. The Times Private Handicapper's rating.

Going: soft **Draw: low numbers best**

2.15 LILY AGNES STAKES (2-Y-O: £3,168: 5f) (7 runners)

102	(2)	01	HOWLING GAEL 13 (D,S) (D Buchanan) G Lewis 9-3	Pat Eddery	90
104	(7)	211	TIME TO GO HOME 7 (D,F,G) (P Savill) R Hollinshead 9-3	A Culhane (5)	81
105	(3)	21	DESERT DAWN 20 (D,G) (Khaled Al-Abmed) John FitzGerald 8-12	R Hills	86
106	(5)	01	FINNAIR FINESSE 11 (D,S) (P Lancaster) M Haynes 8-12	R Fox	89
111	(4)	13	KAFU LADY 20 (D,BF,S) (C Guymer) A Balley 8-5	P Bloomfield	88
112	(1)	311	MIMMING 6 (D,G,S) (A Brittle) G Moore 8-5	A Mackay	96
114	(6)	1	SKY ROYALE 27 (D,G) (R Tindall) J Berry 8-6	J Carroll	98

BETTING: 100-30 Finnair Finesse, 4-1 Desert Dawn, 9-2 Howling Gael, 5-1 Time To Go Home, 8-1 Sky Royale, 10-1 Mimming, 12-1 Kafu Lady.

1987: TRICKY NOTE 8-12 M Hills (11-8 fav) W Haggas 5 ran

FORM HOWLING GAEL (9-0) beat Wasimah (8-9) 2l at Epsom (5f, £2301, soft, Apr 20, 8 ran).

TIME TO GO HOME (9-3) an easy 6l winner from Tenter Close (8-11) at Thirsk (5f, £2719, good to firm, Apr 25, 7 ran).

DESERT DAWN (8-11) beat Wasimah (8-11) 2½l at Newmarket (5f, £3007, good, Apr 13, 8 ran).

FINNAIR FINESSE (8-11) easily beat Petrilla (8-11) 5l at Sandown (5f, £3262, good to soft, Apr 22, 11 ran).

KAFU LADY (8-9) best effort when 1½l winner from Agapee (8-9) at Ayr (5f, £1501, soft, Mar 28, 7 ran).

MIMMING (8-13) beat Command Bid (9-4) a head at Catterick (5f, £1699, good, Apr 27, 5 ran).

SKY ROYALE (8-9) beat Elder Prince (9-0) 7l at Catterick with MIMMING (8-9) a neck 3rd (5f, £1937, good, Apr 5, 15 ran).

Selection: TIME TO GO HOME

2.45 GREAT CHESHIRE HANDICAP (£3,947: 1m 2f 85yd) (11 runners)

201	(3)	00041-0	SALTHUS 38 (F,S) (E Bennett) J Glover 5-9-10	—	80
203	(8)	04/010-1	MILL PLANTATION 21 (CD,F,G,S) (E Mofler) G Wragg 9-9-6	Pat Eddery	83
204	(6)	04210-	MORASCO 183 (D,S) (J Robson) J J O'Neill 4-9-2	W R Swinburn	80
207	(5)	044001-	RED TWILIGHT 116J (C,D,G) (T Bell) R Whitaker 4-8-11	—	80
209	(2)	210030-	OLD EROS 253 (D,F,G) (T Cole) R J Williams 4-8-9	R Cochrane	80
210	(4)	102212-	KALEIDOPHONE 186 (G,S) (J Rowles) W Elsey 4-8-8	J Reid	80
211	(9)	430020/	FORCELLO 14J (S) (British Thoroughbred R & B Plc) G Balding 5-8-4	J Williams	—
212	(7)	0000-03	PLAGUE O'RATS 13 (B,F) (R Hesketh) Denys Smith 4-8-4	W Carson	85
216	(1)	2820/	SHERGOR 364 (S Davies) J Edwards 5-7-12	A McGlone	—
217	(11)	3004/12	THE YOMPER 14 (D,S) (T Adair) R Corns 6-7-7	R Fox	90
218	(10)	00-2003	QUALITAIR FLYER 3 (F,S) (Qualitair Holdings Ltd) K Stone 6-7-7	G Bardwell (5)	93

Long handicap: The Yomper 7-3, Qualitair Flyer 7-2.

BETTING: 5-2 Mill Plantation, 3-1 The Yomper, 9-2 Kaleidophone, 13-2 Plague O'Rats, 7-1 Red Twilight, 1987: MILL PLANTATION 8-9-1 Pat Eddery (6-4 fav) G Wragg 7 ran

FORM SALTHUS (8-1) best effort a ¾l beating of Pictograph (7-10) in the Cambridgeshire where QUALITAIR FLYER (7-9) was unplaced (1m 1f, £43900, firm, Oct 3, 31 ran).

RED TWILIGHT (8-3) beat Roman Beach (8-3) 1½l at York with QUALITAIR FLYER (7-13) 13½l 6th (1m 2f 110yd, £3272, good, Oct 7, 9 ran).

THE YOMPER (7-5) 1l 2nd to Bao Adhem (8-1) at Epsom with QUALITAIR FLYER (7-7) unplaced (1m 2f, £16024, good to soft, Apr 19, 18 ran).

Selection: THE YOMPER

3.15 DALHAM CHESTER VASE (Group III: 3-Y-O: £24,164: 1m 4f 65yd) (5 runners)

301	(5)	03-0	AHOY 19 (R Sangster) B Hills 8-11	J Reid	71
304	(4)	31	KALAKATE 16 (G) (E Moller) G Wragg 8-11	Pat Eddery	77
309	(3)	21-1	UNFUWAIN 14 (D,G,S) (Hamdan Al Maktoum) W Hern 8-11	W Carson	99
310	(2)	21-0	VAYRIA 19 (S) (Sheikh Mohammed) B Hills 8-11	M Hills	74
311	(1)	032-12	WATERTIGHT 14 (B,D,S) (Sheikh Mohammed) C Brittain 8-11	R Cochrane	76

BETTING: 1-3 Unfuwain, 5-1 Kalakate, 8-1 Watertight, 12-1 Vayrua, 16-1 Ahoy.

1987: DRY DOCK 8-11 W Carson (11-2) W Hern 8 ran

FORM KALAKATE (9-0) beat Peleus (9-0) 4l at Newbury (1m 3f, £3730, good, Apr 15, 21 ran).

UNFUWAIN (9-1) easy 15l winner from WATERTIGHT (8-12) in an Epsom fisted race last time (1m 4f, £7284, good to soft, Apr 19, 6 ran).

VAYRIA (8-11) 10½l 5th to Kalash (8-11) on Newmarket reappearance (1m 1f, listed, £10064, good, Apr 14, 11 ran) with AHOY (8-11) ¾l 8th.

Selection: UNFUWAIN

Course specialists

TRAINERS	Winners	Runners	Per cent
M W Easterby	4	8	50.0
W Hern	7	19	36.9
A Balley	3	9	33.3
C Brittain	6	22	27.3
G Wragg	7	26	26.9
R J Houghton	4	17	23.5

JOCKEYS	Winners	Rides	per cent
W Carson	12	48	25.0
Pat Eddery	7	37	18.9
S Perks	4	35	11.4

Only qualifiers

KEMPTON PARK

Selections

By Mandarin

5.30 Valiant End.
6.00 Dimension.
6.30 Super Bid.
7.00 Padre Pio.
7.30 Princess Athena.
8.00 Literati.
8.30 Empire Blue.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent

5.30 Native Flair.
6.00 Ciren Jester.
6.30 Super Bid.
7.00 Easy Line.
7.30 Sleepy Mountain.
8.00 Petrullo.
8.30 Cabot.

Going: good **Draw: 5f-6f, high numbers favoured**

5.30 WINDSOR PARK MAIDEN STAKES (Div I: 3-Y-O: £3,201: 1m) (15 runners)

1	(13)	0000-	BLOXHAM 230 (C Wright) H O'Neill 9-0	A McGlone	73
4	(5)	0	CRETAN BOY 17 (Mrs N Kairis) R Williams 9-0	B Rouse	97
8	(3)	3442-	FIRE TOP 218 (Mrs A Valentine) R Hannon 9-0	A Clark	99
12	(1)		JABRUT (H Al-Maktoum) J Dunlop 9-0	P Cook	—
15	(2)		MANGO MANILA (K Andersen) C Horgan 9-0	—	—
16	(3)	0-0	MARCH BIRD 17 (A Nolan) J Sutcliffe 9-0	T Williams	—
18	(12)		MOON WARRIOR (P Allen) D A Wilson 9-0	W Ryan	—
19	(11)	0-0	MY REEF 19 (Dewfresh Mushrooms) J Jenkins 9-0	S Dawson	67
22	(14)	0063-0	PHILIPPONNAT BRUT 13 (R Stone) Miss L Bower 9-0	—	—
26	(6)	0-	THE TANNER 186 (G Ward) D Arbuthnot 9-0	M Roberts	81
28	(9)	60-0	VALIANT END 17 (Clivedon Stud) A Stewart 9-0	W Newnes	—
29	(8)	0	VASSAL 17 (Mrs M Clark) H Candy 9-0	N Howe	74
33	(7)	3000-	L'ENCHERE 218 (H Hardy) M Fetherston-Godley 8-11	S Cauthen	98
34	(10)	033-	NATIVE FLAIR 208 (R Arculli) R Armstrong 8-11	B Crossley	—
35	(15)		OUBLIER L'ENNUI (N Goymer) Mrs B Sanders 8-11	B Crossley	—

BETTING: 2-1 Native Flair, 9-2 Valiant End, 6-1 Fire Top, 7-1 Cretan Boy, 8-1 Jabrut, 12-1 March Bird, Vassal, 16-1 Mango Manila, 20 others.

1987: POLISH COUNT 9-0 W R Swinburn (3-1 fav) M Stoute 22 ran

6.0 AMBITION APPRENTICE HANDICAP (£2,066: 1m) (24 runners)

1	(5)	32400-1	HYMN OF HARLECH 25 (B,C,F,G) (T Bullimore) D Elsworth 5-10-2	Janice Coyle (5)	97
3	(17)	0101/00	MOUNT TUMBLEDOWN 17 (D,F,G) (Mrs J Collins) R Hannon 7-9-5	M Doyle (5)	—
7	(16)	30/000-0	HIGH CLIMBER 22 (Mrs V Pritchard-Gordon) R Smyth 4-9-1	Candy Moore (3)	87
8	(7)	00000-0	MARSH HARRIER 8 (D,F) (F Hill) A Moore 7-9-0	M Gallagher (5)	92
9	(21)	0130/00-	IKTIYAR 157J (D,F) (S Tindall) S Mellor 6-9-13	—	99
10	(24)	0/100-01	OPEN ALL HOURS 15 (C,D,S) (Britannia Travel Ltd) R Akehurst 6-8-11	A Spence (5)	97
11	(22)	1214-03	CIREH JESTER 7 (D,G) (Mrs S Fellowes) W Musson 4-8-10	G Hills (5)	96
12	(10)	11000-0	COURT TOWN 39 (D,F,G) (H Hoppgood) R Hannon 5-8-9	—	91
14	(1)	004/0-	GEBLITZT 61J (P Cook) J Long 4-8-9	G Foster (5)	92
15	(2)	01000-0	DIMENSION 29 (B,C,D,F,G,S) (M Ingrasi) Mrs N Smith 6-8-8	N Gwilliams (5)	96
16	(18)	0040/0-	WONDERFUL WILLIAM 68J (J Joseph) J Pearce 4-8-8	Debbie Wheatley (5)	91
18	(3)	00063/0	GIOVANNI 25 (R Bowes) E Wheeler 6-8-7	L Riggio (5)	96
19	(4)	03000-1	LADY HOMILY 26 (F) (Mrs P Michael) E Wheeler 4-8-5	J Carter	94
20	(8)	0140-00	TOM RUM 13 (D,F) (Mrs D Blackburn) H Candy 5-8-3	NON-RUNNER	—
22	(12)	3003-00	PERSIAN DYNASTY 10 (D,F) (T Marshall) M Usher 4-8-2	Dale Gibson	—
23	(11)	0040/00	TELL ME NOW 328 (B) (Premier Racehorse Owners) D Thom 4-8-0	T Farrell (5)	—
24	(19)	000-0	THORLI 15 (Mrs D McKinley) C Horgan 5-8-0	—	87
26	(20)	000-46	SEA CROSSING 10 (B Allen) D Haydn Jones 4-8-0	S O'Gorman (5)	—
28	(23)	00/000-	CHEROKEE GOLD 323 (Mrs J Morgan) S Mellor 4-7-12	D J Williams	—
29	(22)	00200-0	RAFFIA RUN 13 (B) (L. Bush) P Balley 5-7-12	Karen Martin (5)	94
30	(15)	32000-00	DONOR 25 (R Bennett) Mrs J Reavey 5-7-12	Rachel Bridger (5)	98
31	(13)	0800-00	CHURCH STAR 15 (V) (J Bridger) J Bridger 4-7-11	—	88
34	(14)	0/00000-	ANOTHER SEASON 29J (Hawdons Harrow Ltd) A Moore 4-7-9	—	—
35	(5)	01340-0	TAJ SINGH 15 (G) (A Wikinson) M Brittain 5-7-7	A Munro (5)	94

Long handicap: Taj Singh 7-6.

BETTING: 9-2 Open All Hours, 11-2 Hymn Of Harlech, Ciran Jester, 7-1 Lady Homily, 8-1 Tom Rum, 10-1 Taj Singh, 12-1 Court Town.

1987: DIMENSION 5-7-10 G Foster (7-1 fav) Mrs N Smith 22 ran

6.30 WATERLOO MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-O: £2,569: 5f) (9 runners)

1	(5)	00	CHECK THE GATE 26 (L Norman) M Brittain 9-0	—	80
2	(9)	0	GUNMASTER 18 (Lady O'Avegder-Goldsmid) N Vigors 9-0	P Cook	98
4	(2)		JUST THREE (B McGee) M McCormack 9-0	S Cauthen	89
5	(6)	4	PASTORAL JEM 18 (J Jones) M Francis 9-0	T Ives	—
6	(7)		SUPER BID (Mrs P Yong) W O'Gorman 9-0	S Rouse	—
7	(8)		ZINBAD (H Al-Maktoum) C Brassed 9-0	W Ryan	—
8	(1)	0	HOT WIRE 17 (R Welling) D O'Donnell 8-9	D McKay	—
9	(3)		KATIE SCARLETT (Mrs M Bryce-Smith) J Bridger 8-9	Dale Gibson (5)	—
10	(4)		LADY TAP (I Kramer) W Hastings-Bass 8-9	—	—
11	(5)		LADY TAP (I Kramer) W Hastings-Bass 8-9	—	—

BETTING: 9-4 Super Bid, 11-4 Pastoral Jem, 7-2 Gunmaster, 10-1 Zinbaq, Lady Tap, 12-1 Check The Gate, 14-1 Just Three, 25-1 others.

1987: FABLED ORATOR 8-5 B Rouse (12-1) R Hannon 11 ran

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3.45 GROSVENOR GRADUATION RACE (3-Y-O: £4,019: 1m 2f 85yd) (5 runners)

402	(5)	200-11	MY LAMB 18 (G,S) (Mrs J De Rothschild) R Johnson Houghton 9-4	J Reid	87
409	(3)	0-0	GREAT SALING 17 (R McAlpine) B Hills 8-12	Pat Eddery	—
410	(4)	2	LAZAZ 20 (Sheikh Mohammed) M Stoute 8-12	W R Swinburn	99
411	(2)	2	MULFIT 17 (BF) (Sheikh Ahmed Al Maktoum) W Hern 8-12	W Carson	94
412	(1)	00-	WESTERN FRONTIER 228 (R Sangster) B Hills 8-12	M Hills	71

BETTING: 2-1 Lazaz, 5-2 Mulfit, 11-4 My Lamb, 8-1 Western Frontier, 12-1 Great Saling.

1987: KIRPAN 8-12 Pat Eddery (9-4 jt-fav) G Wragg 5 ran

FORM MY LAMB (8-8) beat Raise Yourself (9-0) 1½l at Newbury (1m, £4195, good, Apr 15, 17 ran).

LAZAZ (9-0) short head 2nd to Alquoz (9-0) at Newmarket (1m, £5221, good, Apr 13, 18 ran).

MULFIT (9-0) 4l 2nd to Javanese (9-0) at Newbury where GREAT SALING (9-0) was unplaced (1m, £4217, good, Apr 16, 27 ran).

WESTERN FRONTIER (8-11) 9th behind Unfuwain (8-11) at Newbury with MY LAMB (8-11) unplaced (1m, £5917, good, Sep 18, 15 ran).

Selection: LAZAZ

4.15 PRINCE OF WALES HANDICAP (3-Y-O: £4,058: 5f) (14 runners)

501	(12)	00012-0	SLIP AND STICK 19 (D,F) (O Zawawi) B Hanbury 9-7	Pat Eddery	90
503	(14)	10003-0	SONILLA 19 (D,F,S) (J Law) R Holder 9-4	J Reid	82
504	(7)	0311-0	GOLDEN FLATS 17 (D,F,G) (C Buckton) M W Easterby 8-13	W R Swinburn	84
507	(8)	00440-2	RESTLESS DON 17 (D,BF,F) (D Sherwin) J Berry 8-12	J Carroll	95
508	(3)	31140-0	HYDE PRINCESS 17 (D,F,G) (F Downes) R Whitaker 8-9	Dean McKeown	88
510	(13)	2330-02	WARRING STATES 8 (D,BF,F) (H Weinrabe) M Jarvis 8-8	B Raymond	89
511	(5)	13222-1	QUEEN OF ARAGON 17 (CD,F) (Mrs C Lockhart) R Hollinshead 8-8 (7ex)	S Perks	92
512	(11)	40200-0	EASTERN MELODY 29 (CD,S) (J Collinge) E Alston 8-7	R Cochrane	87
514	(4)	300-123	BALLAD DANCER 14 (S) (J Heymans) G Price 8-4	J Williams	96
515	(10)	3210-20	SMALL FEE 21 (D,BF,S) (Mrs G Hallett) M Britain 8-3	W Carson	99
517	(1)	0020-00	NORTH OF WATFORD 29 (R Aylward) J H Wilson 8-3	—	89
518	(6)	2234-4	MILLIEST 15 (B Aughton) D McCain 8-1	L Dettori (5)	83
520	(2)	0443-19	PAMPERED DREAM 34 (D,S) (R Cox) A Balley 8-0	J Quinn	91
521	(9)	0100-00	QUICK OR BE DAMNED 10 (D,G) (C Dennis) D Chapman 7-7	A Mackay	80

Long handicap: Quick Or Be Damned 7-0.

BETTING: 3-1 Restless Don, 7-2 Queen Of Aragon, 9-2 Warring States, 11-2 Ballad Dancer, 6-1 Small Fee, 10-1 Millijest, 12-1 Pampered Dream, 20-1 others.

1987: RIMBEAU 7-12 S Whitworth (11-1) F Jordan 12 ran

FORM SLIP AND STICK (9-4) short head winner from Aptitude (9-7) in a Newmarket nursery (5f, £5936, good to firm, Oct 1, 15 ran) with SONILLA (9-2) ½l 3rd and PAMPERED DREAM (8-5) 3½l 6th.

GOLDEN FLATS (8-0) 1½l winner from Fairfield Lad (7-10) with SMALL FEE (7-7) a neck 3rd at Beverley (5f, £1810, good to firm, Sep 24, 11 ran).

WARRING STATES (9-7) a short head 2nd to Saint Navarro (7-12) on Wolverhampton claiming debut (5f, £2366, good to firm, Apr 25, 17 ran).

QUEEN OF ARAGON (8-9) picks up a 7lb penalty for a 1½l Thirsk win (5f, £2626, good to firm, Apr 16, 13 ran) from RESTLESS DON (9-6) with QUICK OR BE DAMNED (7-8) 7th, GOLDEN FLATS (9-7) and HYDE PRINCESS (9-3) unplaced.

BALLAD DANCER (9-6) ½l 2nd to Sayyaf's Lad (7-7) at Wolverhampton on penultimate start (5f, £2261, good to soft, Apr 12, 17 ran) with SMALL FEE (9-5) an unplaced favourite.

SMALL FEE (8-0) showed best form on Doncaster reappearance (5f, £3941, soft, Mar 24, 16 ran) when ½l 2nd to Shay (7-7) with NORTH OF WATFORD (8-11) unplaced.

Selection: SMALL FEE

4.45 EARL OF CHESTER HANDICAP (£4,285: 7f 122yd) (17 runners)

603	(11)	000-030	STAR OF A GUNNER 17 (D,F,G,S) (M & N Plant Ltd) R Holder 8-9-10	J Reid	93
605	(15)	1-48111	JOVEWORTH 8 (D,F,G,S) (D Cooper) J Glover 5-9-6 (7ex)	—	97
607	(17)	4800-33	JONDEBE BOY 33 (D,S) (J Burgess) G Moore 4-9-3	S Perks	91
608	(6)	000-000	COINCIDENTAL 8 (G,S) (M Shone) J Edwards 6-9-0	M Hills	93
609	(14)	3000-10	ACONITUM 13 (D,BF,F,G,S) (Topline Ltd) J Jenkins 7-8-13	Pat Eddery	99
610	(8)	033-000	GRUNDY LANE 8 (D,S) (B Morgan) B Morgan 6-8-11	J Quinn (5)	89
611	(12)	0000-00	WELL RIGGED 7 (D,G,S) (J Bennett) M Avison 7-8-8	—	89
613	(2)	0300-04	KNIGHTS SECRET 10 (D,F,G,S) (N Westbrook) M H Easterby 7-8-4	A Mackay	95
614	(5)	120-300	MISS EMILY 16 (D,G,S) (M Hill) D Chapman 4-8-3	R Cochrane	93
616	(18)	/300-03	PARKLANDS BELLE 24 (G) (D Hatch) M Haynes 4-8-2	R Fox	84
617	(1)	0022/0-	REINDEER WALK 171J (F,G) (A Atchal) G Huffer 6-8-2	R Price (7)	84
620	(13)	0000-02	MOORES METAL 7 (D,G) (Moores Ltd) R Hollinshead 8-7-12	G Hind (7)	93
621	(4)	20-1220	O I OYSTON 7 (CD,F,G,S) (J Berry) J Berry 12-7-9	—	89
622	(10)	0100-00	CREAM AND GREEN 21 (CD,S) (T Harrington) K White 4-7-7	—	85
623	(7)	000000-	GAMESHOW 31J (M Russell) E Alston 4-7-7	G Bardwell (5)	77
624	(3)	000300-	BRITWYDD 197 (C Lorne) M James 5-7-7	M Fozzard	74
625	(6)	000000-	DALLAS SMITH 248J (F,G) (M McMahon) R Peacock 7-7-7	D D'Arcy (7)	—

Long handicaps: Cream And Green 7-4, Gameshow 7-3, Britwydd 6-4, Dallas Smith 5-9.

BETTING: 5-2 Joveworth, 3-1 Jondebe Boy, 9-2 Aconitum, 6-1 Knights Secret, 8-1 Moores Metal, 14-1 Parklands Belle, 16-1 Star Of A Gunner, 20-1 others.

1987: COME ON THE BLUES 8-9-1 S Cauthen (8-1) C Brittain 14 ran

FORM STAR OF A GUNNER (10-0) 2½l 3rd to Verbanum (7-7) at Newcastle on penultimate start (1m, 2507f, soft, Apr 4, 11 ran) with MISS EMILY (8-8) ½l 5th.

JOVEWORTH (10-0) a neck winner from Gaelic Fog (6-3) at Wolverhampton (7f, £2945, good to firm, Apr 25, 17 ran) with GRUNDY LANE (9-5) 5l 9th and COINCIDENTAL (9-10) unplaced.

JONDEBE BOY (9-5) 2½l 3rd to No Beating Hearts (8-2) at Doncaster (5f, £2746, soft, Mar 25, 15 ran) with JOVEWORTH (8-11) ¾l 4th.

ACONITUM, a beaten favourite last time, previously (9-10) an easy 10l winner from Red River Boy (9-3) at Warwick (1m, £1855, good to soft, Apr 5, 21 ran) with CREAM AND GREEN (8-12) unplaced.

KNIGHTS SECRET (8-8) 3½l 4th to Foot Patrol (8-1) at Beverley (1m 100yd, £3428, good to firm, Apr 23, 17 ran).

PARKLANDS BELLE (8-8) 2l 3rd to Sparky Lad (8-6) at Lingfield (7f 140yd, £2784, good to soft, Apr 9, 20 ran).

MOORES METAL (8-13) a head 2nd to Golden Beau (8-7) at Thirsk (1m, £1480, good to firm, Apr 16, 18 ran) with WELL RIGGED (9-10) 13th and O I OYSTON (8-12) 14th.

O I OYSTON (8-13) beat Glenderry (7-8) 3l on seasonal debut at Ayr (1m, sell, £897, soft, Mar 26, 14 ran). A four times course and distance winner.

Selection: KNIGHTS SECRET

7.0 HAWKINS HARROW HANDICAP (£5,017: 6f) (16 runners)

2	(12)	324000-	YOUNG INCA 197 (D,F,G,S) (J Boswell) L Cottrell 10-9-10	J Johnson	97
3	(3)	40040-0	PADRE PIO 11 (D,F,S) (Mrs G Ward) D Arbuthnot 7-9-10	S Cauthen	97
4	(8)	0020-10	ONE LINER 6 (CD,F,G,S) (K Al-Said) N Callaghan 4-9-10	W Newnes	99
5	(11)	310000-	SUPREME ROSE 178 (D,F,S) (E Badger) W Musson 4-9-8	A Spence (7)	90
6	(7)	0000-00	LUNA BID 6 (CD,F,G,S) (A Hall) M Blanshard 5-9-7	T Ives	90
7	(16)	114420-	INDIAN JUBILEE 215 (D,F,G,S) (J Horgan) R Hannon 4-9-4	B Rouse	96
9	(9)	60210/3	KORYPHEOS 14 (D,F,S) (C Papaioannou) S Dow 9-8-3	W Ryan	93
10	(14)	000000-	NUMISMATIST 295 (D,F,G) (Miss A Whitfield) M Francis 9-8-2	A Barclay	95
11	(4)	000-200	RESTORE 13 (B,D,BF,F,S) (Mrs S Khan) G Lewis 5-8-1	Pat Eddery	97
12	(2)	001000-	COPPERMILL LAD 192 (D,F,S) (Mrs J Sargood) J Hot 5-8-0	N Adams	93
13	(15)	113164-	GALLANT HOPE 178 (D,F,G) (Mrs N Duffield) L Cottrell 5-8-13	W Carson	96
15	(5)	1400-00	LOFT BOY 11 (V,CD,G,S) (Mrs B Allwright) N Vigors 5-8-11	P Cook	92
17	(10)	42130-8	KEPT WAITING 24 (D,F,G) (Mrs R Beckwith) W Musson 4-8-9	B Raymond	92
18	(6)	43002-0	EASY LINE 24 (D,G,S) (Newmarket TRC) P Haslam 5-8-8	T Williams	93
19	(13)	2400-30	VORTRACK 8 (Mrs N Macauley) Mrs N Macauley 4-8-1	A Cathane (5)	92
20	(1)	000-020	GREEN DOLLAR 14 (F,G) (B Azzemoudeh) E Wheeler 5-8-0	L Riggio (7)	96

BETTING: 5-1 Korypheos, 11-2 Padre Pio, 7-1 Gallant Hope, 15-2 One Liner, 8-1 Luna Bid, 10-1 Green Dollar, 11-1 Young Inca, 12-1 Indian Jubilee.

1987: BERTIE WOOSTER 4-8-7 B Crossley (10-1) L Piggott 15 ran

7.30 DOUBLE SCHWRATZ STAKES (3-Y-O: £3,220: 5f) (11 runners)

1	(6)	1219-	BAY HERO 258 (D,F,G) (Capt R Turnell-Clarke) R Stubbs 9-6	D Nicholls	91
2	(5)	23-11	SLEEPY MOUNTAIN 15 (G) (S Suhail) B Hanbury 9-6	Pat Eddery	90
3	(9)	41-	ASHTINA 211 (D,G) (R Maughan) L Cottrell 9-3	I Johnson	75
5	(3)	121023-	ISTICANNA 295 (D,G) (F Salman) P Cole 9-3	T Quinn	99
6	(10)	401300-	JERONIME 215 (BF,F,G) (F Northcott) R Armstrong 9-3	M Roberts	85
7	(7)	02110-	PRINCESS ATHENA 301 (D,G,S) (R Richards) D Elsworth 9-3	W Carson	91
8	(4)	021-10	SILVER FLING 18 (D,F,G) (G Strawbridge) I Balding 9-3	T Ives	95
10	(11)	24140-0	QUEEN'S PIPER 21 (D,G) (Lord Fairhaven) John FitzGerald 9-0	S Cauthen	96
14	(2)	00-	BRIGHT BERRY 186 (Mrs E O'Donnell) D O'Donnell 8-11	W Newnes	—
16	(8)	0-	ON THE BLUE 339 (T Parrott) M Haynes 8-11	T Williams	—
17	(1)	0303-34	RATION OF PASSION 15 (N Bryce-Smith) J Bridger 8-8	D McKay	80

BETTING: 7-2 Princess Athena, 4-1 Silver Fling, 9-2 Isticanna, 5-1 Sleepy Mountain, 8-1 Queen's Piper, 1987: PAGAN RITE 8-11 W R Swinburn (2-1 jt-fav) M Stoute 13 ran

8.0 WINDSOR PARK MAIDEN STAKES (Div II: 3-Y-O: £3,173: 1m) (14 runners)

2	(8)	4	COOL EMM 38 (North Cheshire Trading Ltd) D H Jones 9-0	M Roberts	71
5	(2)	3220-3	DEAD NET 7 (L Lavin) C Brittain 9-0	S Cauthen	99
6	(14)	0	DECIDER 18 (G Chagoury) Mrs L Piggott 9-0	B Raymond	—
7	(6)	00-	FAR TOO RISKY 186 (Capt M Smyly) M Smyly 9-0	W Ryan	—
10	(13)	0-	GOLFE DU LION 241 (V Falk) P Makin 9-0	—	—
13	(10)	23-	LITERATI 277 (R Sangster) B Hills 9-0	R Street	91
14	(12)	0	LORD VANITY 5 (R Del Rosario) C Horgan 9-0	P Cook	—
20	(11)	0-2	NAZIRZAD 17 (BF) (H H Aga Khan) M Stoute 9-0	M A Giles (7)	93
21	(4)		PETRULLO (C Webster) R Casey 9-0	T Quinn	—

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CRICKET: MIDDLESEX ARE THE CATCH OF THE SEASON AS MANCHESTER RUNS FOR COVER

Essex lose unequal struggle against pitch and opponents

By John Woodcock

LORD'S: Middlesex (23pts) beat Essex (5) by 176 runs.

Middlesex have played four matches this season and won them all — two in the County Championship (the same as they managed all last year) and two on Sundays. They bowled Essex out yesterday for 175 in conditions that led to an unequal struggle. The top score for Essex was Prichard's 25.

In the two championship matches played at Lord's this season, the spinners have been entrusted with 44 of the 690 overs bowled and they have yet to take a wicket there. You will remember that one of the purposes of four-day cricket is to encourage the spinners, though on pitches like yesterday's even Emburey, as a bowler, becomes a passenger.

To have made the runs they required, Essex would have needed more than one remarkable innings. The bounce was erratic, the lateral movement appreciable and the pitch by no means slow.

Had Middlesex held all their catches, the match would have been over sooner than it was. Border, Prichard and Pringle might all have been caught at slip, though it was a cold day for hanging on to anything there, and only one of these three chances was anything like easy.

Watching the proceedings with interest, between limbering up on the Nursery and a session in the indoor nets, were the West Indians, their new pylon, Curtly Ambrose, towering above even Courtney Walsh.

The longest innings was played by Pringle, who hung tenaciously on for 187 minutes, playing and missing a good deal but losing no one's respect for that. Border could come in and face his first ball, from Williams, a hundred times without laying a bat on it, it did so much. Prichard did well to stick it out for an hour and a half, taking two or three nasty knocks on the hand in the process.

Gooch gave Downton the first of his three catches at the wicket; Hardie, like Border, was caught at short leg off bat and pad. Pringle, driving at Hughes, flew the ball to shortish third man, placed there for just such a catch. East played as bravely and doggedly as anyone; but it was all over by five o'clock.

It was the same sort of pitch on which John Murray broke the catching records for a wicketkeeper (95 in 1960). Downton has already taken 10, not least because Cowans is looking more like an England bowler again, and Williams and Fraser are coming on, and Hughes spares himself nothing in bidding to be the equal of any of them.

Bill Edrich used to run in to bowl with the same enthusiasm as Hughes — in the days when a Bank Holiday brought crowds of 20,000 to Lord's rather than the few hundred who watched yesterday's play.

MIDDLESEX: First Innings 263 (J D Carr 66; D R Pringle 4 for 90).
Second Innings 275 for 8 dec (J E Emburey 76 not out, W N Slack 65; Bowling: Lever 19-3-47-1; Pringle 20-2-67-2; Topley 23-1-94-5; Gooch 20-1-83-0).
ESSEX: First Innings 187 (A W Lilley 52; N F Williams 6 for 42).

Second Innings	
G A Gooch c Downton b Williams	12
B A Hardie c sub b Cowans	5
P J Prichard b Cowans	25
A R Border c sub b Hughes	19
D R Pringle c Cowans b Hughes	20
A W Lilley c Downton b Cowans	18
*K W R Fletcher c Downton b Hughes	9
†D E East b Williams	20
T D Topley lbw b Fraser	7
J K Lever b Cowans	20
J H Childs not out	1
Extras (b 2, lb 11, nb 6)	19
Total	175

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-21, 2-29, 3-70, 4-80, 5-101, 6-113, 7-128, 8-148, 9-169.
BOWLING: Cowans 19.4-5-45-4; Fraser 24-6-44-1; Williams 16-3-28-2; Hughes 17-4-45-3.
Umpires: D G L Evans and J H Hampshire.



Cowans: looking more like an England bowler again

CYCLING

Bateman critical in hour of triumph

By Peter Bryan

Phil Bateman, the Bradford amateur international, held on to his overall lead in the 80-miles fifth and final stage of the Lancashire Enterprises Tour yesterday to win the 300-miles race by 2min 23sec. But in his triumph he was critical of the tactics of the professional squads who consistently blocked at the front, making it impossible for him to join the six men who led for the last 20 miles.

"I suppose they thought they were playing their part to help their colleagues at the front, but it was, in reality, 20 professionals against me: negative racing."

The man of the race was acknowledged to be the Australian, Shane Sutton, who had started 1 minute 21 seconds down on Bateman. Sutton was one of the leading group of six and had a good chance of taking top place overall but, like Bateman, he was furious that no one would share the pace. On the five laps finishing circuit Sutton opened up a gap on his own, but with less than three miles to go skidded out of control on a corner and fell out of the stage, won by Phil Thomas by four seconds.

TOUR OF LANCASHIRE: Fourth stage (25-mile evening circuit race, at Fleetwood): 1, I Sanders (Percy Bilton) 57min 17sec; 2, T Doyle (Ever Ready), same time; 3, K Smith (North West Centre of Excellence), same time. Fifth stage (102 miles): 1, P Thomas (Liverpool), 4hr 23min 30sec; 2, N Barnes (London), 4:23:34; 3, S Joughin (Stoke-on-Trent), same time. Final positions: 1, P Bateman (Bradford, Yorkshire and Humberside Centre of Excellence), 11:42:19; 2, T Harris (North Pickenham), 11:44:42; 3, S Sutton (Warley), 11:44:48.

ATHLETICS

Budd bouquet denied by race organizer

Johannesburg (Reuter) — Fanie van Zyl, the organizer of a New Year's Eve race in Randfontein, denied yesterday that Zola Budd received a bouquet of flowers on the presentation podium. Van Zyl, who has been interviewed by lawyers acting for the British Amateur Athletic Board, dismissed allegations that Budd received the flowers in recognition for being a drawcard for the 10-kilometre race.

A photograph of Budd clutching some carnations was reprinted in the *Vaderland* newspaper last week.

YACHTING

Second chance for Scotland's best sailors to impress

By Barry Pickthall

Arnold Clark yesterday offered another chance for the top Scottish sailors to compete as a crew in Scotland's premier offshore series, on the Clyde at the end of May.

George Skuodas, who won through to represent a joint Scottish/Irish crew in the finals of *The Times*/James Capel-sponsored search for up-and-coming crew, already sails aboard Clark's newly-acquired maxi-yacht, Drum, which is to be skippered during the McEwan series by Harold Cudmore.

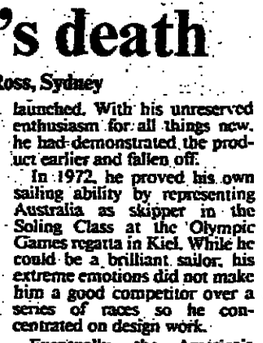
Clark, one of Scotland's offshore racing enthusiasts, has now promised a trial to other finalists. If they prove good enough, he will loan them a one-tonner to enter the series.

Clark's offer was certainly appreciated yesterday by the leading Crewsearch contestants, who all share a common aim to break into yachting's big time. The offer follows the chance given to the leading Irish contestants in the Sail Ireland round-the-world challenge, which aims to look at all good sailors with aspirations for the next Whitbread race, which starts from Portsmouth next year.

Among those Scots whom Clark wants to test out before the McEwan series is Ken Harper, a former Hornet class national champion who proved to be a top trimmer at the Crewsearch trial at Largs Yacht Haven last weekend, ahead of David Wilson, from Helensburgh.

Two women, Jacqui Robinson, aged 25, a solicitor from Glasgow, and Valerie Ludlow, a sailing instructor, from Queensferry, were also highly commended and join a short list to race aboard an all-women's boat in the finals.

CREWSEARCH FINALISTS (Scotland and Ireland): Tacticians: Mike Hart (reserve: Duncan Munro). Cockpit: Gavin Macaulay (reserve: Erik MacEachern). Mainsheet: Trimmer: Michael Hall (reserve: Stephen Park). Genoa Trimmer: Ken Harper (reserve: David Wilson). Mast: George Skuodas (reserve: David Allen). Bow: Hamish Mackay (reserve: Gavin MacKinnon). Top Women: Jacqui Robinson, Valerie Ludlow.



Glamorgan hopes are washed away

CARDIFF: Glamorgan (8pts) drew with Somerset (4)

The weather was the only winner at Sophia Gardens yesterday. Glamorgan's hopes of victory after scoring 543 for eight — a record for the ground — were washed out by a succession of showers and the match against Somerset trickled to a tame draw.

Play finally resumed at 1.45, with Somerset 300 behind and two first-innings wickets intact, and the ninth-wicket pair of Mallender and Jones were together for only three overs before Jones edged a ball from Thomas to Metson behind the wicket. Thomas then flattened Foster's off stump and Somerset were all out for 267.

Following on 276 behind, the Somerset opening batsmen, Felton and Roebuck, had no option but to bat defensively and this they did with diligence between the showers, which cost a total of 46 overs.

Somerset were 42 without loss when tea was taken early; afterwards, Felton reached his first fifty of the season in an hour and 37 minutes with five fours. At the close he and Roebuck were still together with Somerset having advanced to 100.

GLAMORGAN: First Innings 543-8 dec (R J Shastri 157, M P Maynard 122, G C Holmes 108; Rose 24-2-96-3).

SOMERSET: First Innings

N A Felton b Thomas	8
*P M Roebuck c Benson b Barwick	40
J J E Hardy b Thomas	0
S R Waugh c Benson b Ontong	53
R J Harden b Barwick	0
V J Marks b Butcher	8
†N D Burns lbw b Butcher	66
G D Rose c Metson b Marwick	27
N A Mallender not out	29
A N Jones c Metson b Thomas	6
D J Foster b Thomas	9
Extras (b 6, lb 4, nb 11)	21
Total (93.2 overs)	267

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-28, 2-32, 3-76, 4-82, 5-98, 6-144, 7-220, 8-236, 9-251.
BOWLING: Thomas 29.2-6-74-4; Watkin 19-4-59-0, Barwick 26-6-74-3; Holmes 3-0-9-0; Butcher 10-1-28-2; Ontong 9-4-8-1; Maynard 2-0-5-0.

Second Innings	
N A Felton not out	64
*P M Roebuck not out	24
Extras (b 4, lb 4, nb 4)	12
Total (no wkt)	100

J J E Hardy, S R Waugh, R J Harden, V J Marks, †N D Burns, G D Rose, A N Jones and D J Foster did not bat.
BOWLING: Thomas 4-0-14-0; Barwick 5-2-11-0; Butcher 2-0-6-0; Shastri 6-2-14-0; Watkin 7-3-8-0; Ontong 9-3-12-0; Holmes 5-1-19-0; Maynard 3-2-8-0.
Umpires: A A Jones and M J Kitchen.

Lancs beaten by Lancs rain

By Ivo Tennant

OLD TRAFFORD: Lancashire (6pts) drew with Warwickshire (5).

Come the Bank Holiday, come the rain. The prospect of an excellent finish was spoiled yesterday by three stoppages, the last of which left puddles on the square and the outfield too soggy to be bothering with at 5 p.m.

To be beaten by their own weather, typical for Manchester, was all Lancashire could have done with. Everything had gone right for them until then. They had swiftly got rid of Warwickshire's tail-enders and had made a good start in attempting to score 236 to win.

Warwickshire added just six runs to their overnight total. Small, having reached his career-best score of 70 in over four hours (the appellation of tail-ender can be withdrawn for the present), was drawn forward by Folley and beaten by the turn.

Then Pierson became Allott's fifth victim of the innings. Lancashire had no shortage of time in which to make their runs — a minimum of 91 overs. The pitch, although taking some turn, was probably playing better than at any stage in the match. Yet no sooner had Lancashire got going than they were driven indoors.

First, six overs were lost, then a further 15 and all the while their task became harder. Fowler was leg-before padding up as soon as Gifford came on.

WARWICKSHIRE: First Innings 155 (P A Smith 68; C D Matthews 4 for 47).

Second Innings	
*T A Lloyd c Fowler b Allott	64
A J Moles c Folley b Allott	22
Asif Din run out	3
A I Kallicharran b Simmons	36
†G W Humpage lbw b Allott	1
P A Smith c Mendis b Simmons	22
D A Reeve lbw b Allott	36
G C Small st Hegg b Folley	70
A R K Pierson lbw b Allott	8
N Gifford not out	0
Extras (b 9, lb 5, w 1, nb 1)	16
Total	287

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-42, 2-60, 3-104, 4-107, 5-159 6-161 7-236 8-287, 9-297.
BOWLING: Matthews 21-6-52-0; Allott 32.5-7-65-5; Watkinson 23-4-48-0; Folley 26-11-57-2; Simmons 44-18-61-2.
LANCASHIRE: First Innings 217 (W K Hegg 76; G C Small 5 for 60, A T Merrick 5 for 67).

Second Innings	
G D Mendis not out	41
G Fowler lbw b Gifford	23
T E Jesty not out	17
Extras (lb 1, w 1)	2
Total (one wkt)	83

N H Fairbrother, A Hayhurst, *D P Hughes, †W K Hegg, P J W Allott, J Simmons, C D Matthews and I Folley did not bat.
FALL OF WICKET: 1-46.
BOWLING: Small 9-3-15-0; Merrick 8-1-11-0; Reeve 6-0-17-0; Pierson 10.4-4-19-0; Gifford 10-3-20-1.
Umpires: H D Bird and N T Plews.

No play yesterday

BRISTOL: Sussex 324 (A P Wells 69; T M Alderman 5 for 75) and 116 for 4 (P W G Parker 55 not out; Bowling: Lawrence 8-2-29-1; Alderman 10-1-23-1; Curran 7-2-19-0; Bainbridge 6-0-16-0; Graveney 8-5-6-2; Alleyne 6-2-17-0; Lloyds 4-3-3-0.); Gloucestershire 252 (A W Stovold 136; R A Bunting 5 for 88). Match drawn. Gloucestershire 5pts, Sussex 7.

LEAGUE RESULTS

D M HALL WESTERN UNION: Kilmarnock 146; West of Scotland 148 for 2; Kelburne 91, Clydesdale 95 for 3; Ayr 238 for 7, Greenock 131 for 3 (abandoned); Uddingston 235 for 7, Fergusilie 98 for 1 (abandoned); Poloc 137 for 9, Drumpellier 70 for 5 (abandoned).
NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY LEAGUE: Ashington 186 for 4, Benwell Hill 73 for 5; Benwell 105 for 8, Percy Main 106 for 2; County Club 175 for 6, Backworth 92 for 5; Morpeth 108 for 4, Tynedale 109 for 7; South Northumberland 216 for 5, Alnwick 83 for 8; Blyth 137 for 7, Tynemouth 103 for 8.
DURHAM SENIOR LEAGUE: Wearmouth 154, Burnmore 155 for 4; Sunderland 97, Eppleton 98 for 1; Boldon 193 for 6, South Shields 180 for 9; Durham City 165 for 8, Philadelphia 49 for 1 (abandoned); Whitburn 169 for 3, Chester-le-Street 125 for 6; Seaham Harbour 160, Horden 162 for 5.
MATTHEW BROWN LANCASHIRE LEAGUE: Colne 94, Haslingden 218 for 2; Enfield 84, East Lancashire 150 for 8; Lowerhouse 154 for 8, Bacup 63 for 9; Ramsbottom 127 for 4, Church 169 for 4; Rawtenstall 65 for 1, Burnley 82; Rishton 115, Accrington 120 for 9; Todmorden 21 for 1 v Nelson (abandoned).
CENTRAL LANCASHIRE LEAGUE: Walsden 226 for 4, Werneth 153; Crompton 81, Rochdale 167 for 8; Stockport 99, Milnrow 183 for 7; Littleborough 95 for 6, Heywood 94; Ashton 122 for 9, Royton 117; Radcliffe 104, Norden 105 for 8; Oldham 199 for 8, Hyde 215 for 9; Heywood 101 for 9, Ashton 113 for 8; Norden 82 for 9, Oldham 171 for 6.
BRADFORD LEAGUE: First division: Baildon 66, Manningham Mills 67 for 2; Pudsey St Lawrence 158 for 8, Bowling Old Lane 46 for 6; Bradford and Bingley 252 for 3, East Bierley 168 for 4; Hanging Heaton 218 for 7, Farsley 198 for 9; Idle 154 for 9, Yorkshire Bank 115 for 9; Spen Victoria 218 for 7, Lightcliffe 91 for 5; Undercliffe 184 for 7, Saltaire 187 for 7. Second division: Ben Rhydding 136 for 9, Bankfoot 132 for 8; Lidget Green 174, Cleckheaton 109 for 5; Queensbury 153 for 9, Drighlington 131 for 6; Salts 156 for 9, Ecclesfield 160 for 5; Great Horton 133, Brighouse 137 for 8; Hartshead Moor 177, Windhill 136 for 7; Yeadon 185 for 6, Keighley 187 for 6.
CAPITAL WINDOWS WELSH CHAMPIONSHIP: All matches abandoned.

No play yesterday

BRISTOL: Sussex 324 (A P Wells 69; T M Alderman 5 for 75) and 116 for 4 (P W G Parker 55 not out; Bowling: Lawrence 8-2-29-1; Alderman 10-1-23-1; Curran 7-2-19-0; Bainbridge 6-0-16-0; Graveney 8-5-6-2; Alleyne 6-2-17-0; Lloyds 4-3-3-0.); Gloucestershire 252 (A W Stovold 136; R A Bunting 5 for 88). Match drawn. Gloucestershire 5pts, Sussex 7.

SHOOTING

Army marksmen remain on target

Sydney — Corporal Desmond Gillies, of the First Battalion Gordon Highlanders, took the lead in the service rifle championship at the Australian Army Skill-at-arms meeting here yesterday, competing against the armies of Australia, Canada, New Zealand, United States and Malaysia (our Shooting Correspondent writes).

The British team includes several Queen's Medal winners and some of the army's most experienced international marksmen. They started last week by winning the machine-gun championship. Now they have taken the lead in the rifle event, won the first three places in the sub-machine gun and taken the lead in the first stage of the pistol championship.

RESULTS: rifle, first stage: 1, Cpl D Gillies (1 Gordons) 268. Other British placing: 6, S/Sgt R Campbell (REME), 265. **Sub-machine gun:** 1, Cpl P Summerscett (Black Watch), 247. 2, Sgt G Jhumpersad (2/2 GR), 240; 3, Captain R Hare (Royal Anglian) 233. **Team:** 1, British Army; 2 US Army. **Pistol, first stage:** 1, S/Sgt T Reece (SASC), 132. Other British placing: 3, Sgt D Bell (1 King's Own Orderers), 120.

● Malcolm Cooper easily retained his English three-position rifle championship at Bisley yesterday and Ian Potts, from Teddington, Middlesex, won the air-rifle championship. Cooper is expected to defend his Olympic title at Seoul.

RESULTS: three-positions rifle: 1, M Cooper (Havant), 1168; 2, R Smith (Hinckley), 1150; 3, S Ross (Stone Lodge), 1148. **Prone rifle:** 1, J Stern (Beaconsfield), 1191; 2, M White (Beaconsfield), 1190; 3, M Cooper (Havant), 1190. **Air-rifle:** 1, I Potts (Twickenham), 584; 2, R Smith (Hinckley), 583; 3, M Cooper (Havant), 580. **Free Pistol:** 1, M Abrahams (Elstree), 551; 2, D Aind (Plymouth), 544; 3, R Wang (London), 543. **Standard pistol:** 1, P Clark (Blackheath), 567; 2, D Ward (REME), 562; 3, D Lowe (RN), 559. **Rapid-fire pistol:** 1, B Girling (Redditch), 583; 2, J Rolfe (Marylebone), 579; 3, R Fillery (Croydon), 577. **Air-pistol:** 1, P Leatherdale (Norwich), 584; 2, G Robinson (Kensington), 574; 3, D Lowe (RN), 571.

SQUASH RACKETS

Dittmar keeps in trim

By Colin McQuillan

Chris Dittmar, the world No. 3 from Australia, yesterday won the Swan Lager South of England championship at Dunnings Mill, East Grinstead, defeating his sixth-ranked compatriot, Chris Robertson, 9-2, 9-1, 9-2 in their 37-minute final and displaying again his aggressive appetite for minor titles.

"For me these three or four-day tournaments are perfect preparation for the World Open coming up in a week or so in Holland," Dittmar, aged 24, said after noting that Robertson, aged 22, who put him out of both the Spanish and the Australian Open championships this season, was not at his best.

"I used to be casual about second-rank competitions, too," Dittmar added. "But here I have won a great trophy and £1,000, while benefiting from playing a couple of good Englishmen, a tricky Pakistani and a world-ranked Australian.

"Most of the other guys are out on the roads running to stay fit for the World Open. I have gained a small revenge over Chris here and an important psychological point for the next time we meet.

"I have to hit Amsterdam creaming the ball the way I did today if I am going to stand a chance of breaking up the domination of Jansher and Jahangir Khan."

RESULTS: Final: C Dittmar (Aus) bt C Robertson (Aus), 9-2, 9-1, 9-2. **Over-35 final:** C Wilson (Sco) bt H Charlin (Eng), 9-7, 9-1, 9-2. **Over-45 final:** J Perrott (Eng) bt P Walker (Eng), 9-5, 9-3, 2-9, 8-9, 9-4.



Championship table

	P	W	L	D	Bt	Bl	Pts
Worcs (9)	2	2	0	0	6	8	46
Middlesex (16)	2	2	0	0	4	6	42
Lecs (3)	2	1	0	1	7	7	30
Sussex (17)	2	1	0	1	6	8	30
Essex (12)	2	1	1	0	5	5	26
Glocs (10)	2	1	0	1	6	4	26
Derbyshire (6)	2	1	0	1	4	5	25
Hampshire (5)	2	1	0	1	4	8	25
Surrey (1)	1	1	0	0	2	4	22
Glamorgan (13)	2	0	1	1	7	6	13
Notts (1)	2	0	2	0	3	8	11
Kent (14)	2	0	2	0	5	5	10
Somerset (11)	2	0	1	1	3	5	8
Lancashire (2)	2	0	1	1	2	5	7
Warwicks (15)	1	0	0	1	1	4	5
Yorkshire (8)	1	0	1	0	1	4	5
Northants (7)	1	0	1	0	1	3	4

(1987 positions in brackets)

FOR THE RECORD

BASEBALL

NORTH AMERICA: National League: New York Mets 11, Cincinnati Reds 0, Montreal Expos 7, Houston Astros 3; St Louis Cardinals 9, Los Angeles Dodgers 0; Pittsburgh Pirates 4, San Diego Padres 2; San Francisco Giants 7, Chicago Cubs 6; Atlanta Braves 9, Philadelphia Phillies 5. **American League:** Rangers 5, New York Yankees 1, Minnesota Twins 2, Boston Red Sox 0, Detroit Tigers 3, Seattle Mariners 2; Toronto Blue Jays 6, California Angels 4; Chicago White Sox 7, Baltimore Orioles 3; Milwaukee Brewers 10, Kansas City Royals 8; Oakland A's 8, Cleveland Indians 4.

American League Eastern Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland Indians	16	7	.696	–
New York Yankees	16	8	.667	½
Boston Red Sox	14	7	.667	1
Detroit Tigers	14	8	.636	1½
Milwaukee Brewers	10	11	.476	5
Toronto Blue Jays	10	13	.435	6
Baltimore Orioles	1	23	.042	15½
Western Division				
Oakland Athletics	17	7	.708	–
Chicago White Sox	12	10	.545	4
Kansas City Royals	12	11	.522	4½
California Angels	10	14	.417	7
Minnesota Twins	9	13	.409	7
Texas Rangers	9	13	.409	7
Seattle Mariners	10	15	.400	7½
National League Eastern Division				
Pittsburgh Pirates	17	6	.739	–
New York Mets	16	7	.727	½
Montreal Expos	10	11	.476	6
Chicago Cubs	10	13	.435	7
St Louis Cardinals	9	14	.391	8
Philadelphia Phillies	7	13	.350	8½
Western Division				
Houston Astros	14	8	.636	–
L Angeles Dodgers	13	8	.619	½
S Francisco Giants	12	12	.500	3
Cincinnati Reds	11	12	.478	3½
San Diego Padres	9	12	.429	4½
Atlanta Braves	4	16	.200	8

BOARDSAILING

PLYMOUTH: Gale grand prix: Division I: Lightweight: 1, A Dixon, 2, J Anderson; 3, S Lepworth. **Heavyweight:** 1, P Keeping; 2, C Williams; 3, C Downing. **Division II: Lightweight:** 1, M Wemms; 2, C Gibson; 3, A Cooper. **Heavyweight:** 1, B Cox; 2, J Young; 3, T Maggs. **Women:** 1, C Connelly; 2, A Highton, 3, L Robinson.

AMERICAN FOOTBALL

BUDWEISER LEAGUE: Manchester All Stars 6, London Ravens 51, Fylde Falcons 0, London Olympians 31; Manchester Spartans 31, Leeds Cougars 21; Leicester Panthers 20, Northants Stormbringers 21; Birmingham Bulls 36, Luton Ryers 36; Thames Valley Chargers 21, Chelmsford Cherokee 32; Nottingham Hoods 45, Glasgow Lions 29.

ATHLETICS

BIRMINGHAM: Midland Counties AAA championship meeting: **Men:** 10,000m: 1, A Jackson (Stourport), 29min 25.68sec; 2, R Cash (Harborough), 29:33.33; 3, W Bedell (Telford), 29:30.55. **Decathlon:** 1, R Lang (Liverpool), 6,811pts, 2, K Allanson (City of Stoke), 6,729. **Women:** 5,000m: F Truman (Notts), 16min 50.84sec.

SPOKANE (Washington): Bloomsday road race (7.46 miles): 1, P Koech (Ken) 34min 02sec; 2, M Mosqueda (Mex) 34:23. **Veterans:** 1, M Hurt (GB), 38:00; 2, A Rushmer (GB), 38:10. **Women:** A Audain (NZ), 39:35.

BELFAST MARATHON: 1, T Hughes (Sparta), 2hr 19min 00sec; 2, J McDowell (Sparta), 2:19:05; 3, A Donaldson (Belfast Olympic), 2:21:36.
LUTON: Tony Simmons 6¼-miles road race: W Dee (Luton), 30:55.

BASKETBALL

UNITED STATES: National Basketball Association play-offs (second matches). **Eastern Conference:** Boston Celtics 128, New York Knicks 102 (Boston lead best-of-five series 2-0). Chicago Bulls 106, Cleveland Cavaliers 101 (Chicago lead 2-0). Atlanta Hawks 104, Milwaukee Bucks 97 (Atlanta lead 2-0). **Western Conference:** Seattle Supersonics 111, Denver Nuggets 91 (series led 1-1); Los Angeles Lakers 130, San Antonio Spurs 112 (Los Angeles lead 2-0).

SQUASH RACKETS

EAST GRINSTEAD: South of England championship: Semi-final: C Robertson (Aus) bt G Williams (GB), 7-9, 9-4, 9-2, 9-7.
DURHAM: John Smith's open championship: Final: B Beeson bt J Lilley, 9-1, 9-2, 5-9, 9-3.
DARLINGTON: Northern Championship: Durham 5, Humberside 0.

POOLS FORECAST by Paul Newman

Saturday May 7 unless stated

FIRST DIVISION

X Chelsea v Charlton
X Coventry v QPR
1 Everton v Arsenal
1 Man U v Portsmouth
X Newcastle v West Ham
1 Norwich v Wimbledon
1 Nottingham F v Oxford
X Sheffield W v Liverpool
1 Southampton v Luton

SECOND DIVISION

V Birmingham v Leeds *(Playing Friday)*
1 Bradford v Ipswich
1 C Palace v Man City
2 Huddersfld v Sheffld U
1 Middlesbro v Leicester
1 Millwall v Blackburn
1 Oldham v Bournemouth
1 Reading v Hull
1 Shrewsbury v Plymouth
2 Swindon v Aston Villa
1 WBA v Barnsley

THIRD DIVISION

1 Brentford v York
1 Brighton v Bristol R
1 Bristol C v Doncaster
1 Bury v Chester
2 Chesterfield v Fulham
1 Grimsby v Aldershot
1 Port Vale v Mansfield
2 Preston v Notts Co
2 Rotherham v Sunderlnd
1 Walsall v Gillingham
Not on coupons: Southend v Blackpool (Friday)

FOURTH DIVISION

2 Burnley v Cardiff
1 Camb U v Carlisle
1 Exeter v Halifax
1 Hartlepool v Hereford
1 Leyton O v Wolves
1 Scarboro v Stockport
1 Swansea v Darlington
X Torquay v Scunthorpe
X Wrexham v Bolton
Not on coupons: Colchester v Tranmere (Friday), Crewe v Peterborough (Friday); Newport v Rochdale

SCOTTISH PREMIER

1 Aberdeen v Motherwell
1 Celtic v Dunfermline
X Dundee U v Hearts
2 Falkirk v Rangers
1 Hibernian v Morton
1 St Mirren v Dundee

SCOTTISH FIRST

1 Dumbarton v Raith
X East Fife v Clydebank
1 Forfar v Airdrie
X Hamilton v Meadowbnk
1 Partick v Kilmarnock
1 Q of Sth v Clyde

SCOTTISH SECOND

1 Alloa v E Stirling
2 Berwick v Arbroath
X Brechin v Ayr
X Cowdenbth v Montrose
1 Queen's Pk v Stenhsmr
1 St Johnstone v Albion
1 Stirling v Stranraer

TREBLE CHANCE (home teams): Chelsea, Coventry, Newcastle, Sheffield Wednesday, Torquay, Wrexham, Dundee United, East Fife, Hamilton, Brechin, Cowdenbeath. **Next best:** Leyton Orient.
BEST DRAWS: Chelsea, Coventry, Torquay, Wrexham, Hamilton.
AWAYS: Sheffield United, Fulham, Notts County, Sunderland, Cardiff.
HOMES: Nottingham Forest, Oldham, Brentford, Brighton, Bristol City, Cambridge United, Aberdeen, Celtic, Hibernian, Queen's Park, St Johnstone, Stirling.
FIXED ODDS: Homes: Brentford, Brighton, Bristol City, Aberdeen, Celtic. **Aways:** Sheffield United, Fulham, Notts County. **Draws:** Chelsea, Newcastle, Torquay.

CRICKET

BARCLAYS BANK NATIONAL KNOCK-OUT TOURNAMENT: Oakhampton 100-7, Grenville 101-9
SCHOOLS MATCHES: *Aldenham 129, Mill Hill 33, *Ampleforth 157-9, Worksop 113; Babtake 150, *RGS Worcester 151-2; Blundell's 173-6, *Exeter 117-9, Bradford GS 179, 9 not out; Leys 116-7, *Brentwood 178-7 (M Williams 115 not out), Berkhamsted 181-5; Bristol GS 169-6, *Queen Elizabeth's Hospital, Bristol 127-7; Bromsgrove 89, *Warwick 90-5, *Canford 125, Downside 127-5; Choughs CC 88, *Kent College 90-9; City of London Freeman's 101, *Cranbrook 102-9; *Colston's 110, King Edward's, Bath 113-5; *Cranbrook 119, King's, Rochester 120-4; Dauntsey's 194-6, *Monkton Combe 176-8; *Dover 186-8, Duke of York's RMS 187-4; *Durham 207-4, Barnard Castle 118-3; Eltham 128, *Bancroft's 134-4, Emanuel 163, *Tiffin 102-7, *Enfield 140-6, UCS 58; Epsom 189-9 (D Dance 104 not out), *KCS Wimbledon 107; Felsted 234-2 (N Knight 103), *Bishop's Stortford 149; Forest 232-8, *Haberdashers' Aske's 110-4; Free Foresters 207-8, *Brighton 197-7; Free Foresters 164-9, *Sherborne 165-2; Free Foresters 173-5, *Stowe 126-5; Glenalmond 223-5, Strathallan 156; *RGS Guildford 181, Reigate GS 120-6; Hardye's 125-7, *Milton Abbey 126-2; Harrow 203-4, *Winchester 79, John Lyon 152-7, *Hampton 153-6; Kelly 110, *Wellington School 98; *King's, Bruton 130-8, Bryanston 131-2; *King's, Chester 150-6, Ellesmere 140-8; *Kingston GS 86, St Paul's 86-6; *Kingswood 159-3, Prior Park 134-8.
*Lancing 155, Tonbridge 158-6; *Leeds GS 247-5 (T Walton 122), Hipperholme GS 88; J E Lofthouse's XI 187-7, (N James 102), *Corpusanum 120-8, *Lord Wandsworth 139-6, Leighton Park 109-9; *Marlborough 296-6, Free Foresters 215-9, Marling 42, *Cheltenham 43-1; MCC 156, *Rugby 158-6; Millfield 238-5, *Monmouth 98, Pate's 99; Merchant Taylors', Northwood 71-5; St Bartholomew's, Newbury 151-8, *Magdalen, Oxford 152-5, St Edward's, Canterbury 130, *St Roger Manwoods 131-3; *St Edward's, Oxford 226-4, Eton 128-2; St George's 218-5, Ardingly 159-9; *St Joseph's 130-9, Cuttord 56; St Lawrence 85, *Sutton Valence 86-5; *Shiplake 142-9, Oratory 143-5; Silcoates 143-7, *Mount St Mary's 83; Stamford 184-5, *Kimbolton 82-9; Stowe 171-5, *Bloxham 173-7, Trent 49, Weekgborough 53-3, *Trinity, Croydon 206-9, St Dunstan's 206-7; *Wallington HS 124-8, St Olave's 102-9; *Woodbridge 116, Ipswich 117-8 (* denotes home team).

CYCLING

TOUR OF SPAIN: Seventh stage (168 kilometres): 1, M Hermans (Neth), 3hr 35min 49sec; 2, A Gutierrez (Sp), same time; 3, S Kelly (Ire), same time. Eighth stage (178 kilometres): 1, A Pino (Sp), 5 18:29, 2, L Cubino (Sp), at 1.36, 3, A Arroyo (Sp), at 1 37. Other placings: 6, R Millar (GB), at 2.12, 10, Kelly, at 2.29.
RENNES (France): Ruban Granster amateur race: Fifth stage: First section (Fougeres-Rennes, 100km): 1, L Peelen (Neth), 2hr 23min 40sec; 2, D Le Bon (Fr), same time; 3, M Wuest (WG), at 2:08. Second section (10km time trial): 1, A De Las Cuevas (Fr), 13min 03.38sec; 2, P Duin (Neth), at 13sec; 3, C Garcon (Fr), at 17sec. Final positions: 1, De Las Cuevas, 18hr 18min 31sec, 2, P Duin (Neth), at 12sec; 3, J Lesniewski (Pol), at 25sec.
ROYAL MAIL THREE-DAY STAGE RACE: Fourth stage (Delamare, Cheshire, 92 miles): 1, C Sturgess (Hawarth), 3hr 45min 07sec; 2, G Sturr (Lincoln), at 2sec; 3, S Ball (Canard), same time. Final positions: 1, L Travis (Stone Wheelers), 7:54:41; 2, Ball, 7:54:43; 3, A Cooke (Chesterfield), 7:54.51.
TORBAY: English riviera classic: Fifth stage (73 miles): 1, B Drew (South East Centre of Excellence), 3hr 55min 30sec; 2, J Ford (Wales), at 5sec; 3, S Almond (Wales), at 23sec. Positions after 160 miles: 1, P Gunot (Fr), 6.41 36; 2, Ford, at 44sec; 3, Drew, at 1.01.
ROAD RACE: Redhill CC Colson Memorial (93 miles): 1, T Gill (Bowland), 3hr 51min 47sec; 2, R Findlay (Olympia Sport), at length; 3, B Greenwell (Kenton), same time. Team: Meudon.

GOLF

TEXAS: Houston open tournament: Leading final scores (US unless stated): 270: C Stranza, 69, 66, 66, 67, G Norman (Aus), 65, 70, 68, 67. Strange won play-off. 272: T Kite, 69, 69, 66, 68. 275: J Carter 71, 69, 67, 68; B Tennyson, 68, 68, 69, 70. 276: T Simpson, 68, 70, 68, 70. 278: M Donald 67, 69, 71, 71; G Koch 72, 68, 66, 71; J Renner 70, 70,

Charlton take a valuable point in the battle to stay in the first division while Aston Villa are closer to getting there

Illusionist turns escapologist

By Clive White

Charlton Athletic 1
Tottenham Hotspur 1

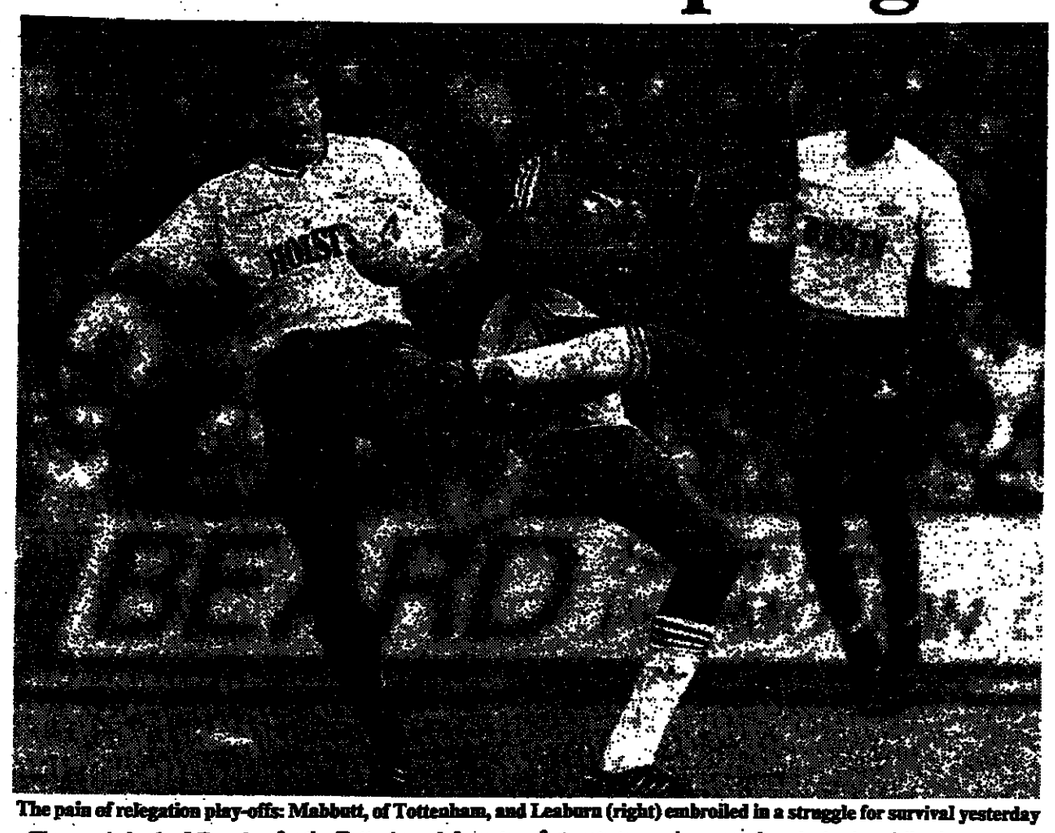
In one magical moment at Selhurst Park yesterday, Chris Waddle, the great illusionist, raised Tottenham safely above the capital's unsightly scramble for first division survival. In so doing, he possibly committed Charlton to another game of Russian roulette in the play-offs.

As Charlton tired from their worthy first-half exertions, Reid, their left back, presented Waddle with the ball and he set forth on a mesmerizing run which left defenders dithering in his wake. When he released it Hodge was left with a simple conversion.

Charlton's equalizer four minutes later, through Reid from the penalty spot, ensured that they would avoid the play-offs should they draw their final game against Chelsea at Stamford Bridge on Saturday.

No one was more aware than Lennie Lawrence, the Charlton manager, that they are fortunate the task is not more demanding. Honest to a fault, Lawrence remarked: "They cut us to pieces on six or seven occasions and nobody has done that to us here this season, including Liverpool. Tottenham are slightly lacking in confidence, that's all. They will be a top-six side next season."

Not, though, if they refuse to accept the sort of opportunities that fell into their lap in the first half. Bordeaux might have reconsidered their decision to pay £1 million for Clive Allen this summer had they seen him miss a chance that was probably easier than the 49 from which he scored last season. His nonchalant flick at Waddle's cross enabled Bolder to grasp a shot he should never have even smelled.



The pain of relegation play-offs: Mabbutt, of Tottenham, and Leaburn (right) embroiled in a struggle for survival yesterday

The coach load of French supporters who were present would have been more taken by Allen's controlled dribble seven minutes earlier around the perimeter of the Charlton defence which left Hodge with an even easier chance one yard from the goal line. But Mackenzie somehow contrived to block the ball.

Charlton had started enthusiastically with some short, sharp interplay which was more pretty than it was penetrating. Nevertheless, it does not take much these days for the Tottenham defence to panic and the nearest Charlton came to scoring was when Statham, the Tottenham right back, wrong-footed Mimms with a back pass, forcing the goalkeeper into an embarrassing save.

Otherwise the only voluntary effort of note in the first half from Charlton was offered by the tireless Mackenzie who volleyed with typical venom just over the crossbar.

Charlton, who have now suffered only one defeat in 10 matches, were not a little fortunate to survive a penalty award when Miller brought down Waddle but they showed impressive resilience in the way they fought back to equalize. From a corner by Mackenzie, Crooks headed goalwards and Samways handled on the line. After a possibly confusing word from Hodge to his goalkeeper, Reid sent Mimms the wrong way.

It was not the prospect of having to live through the agonies of the play-offs again that upset Lawrence but the knock-on effect he said that it had the following season. "You lose three weeks from your summer break. Everyone involved in last season's play-offs started badly this season. Having said that I'd rather be in this position than relegated. If you cannot beat two second division sides you don't deserve to stay up."

CHARLTON ATHLETIC: R Bolder; J Humphrey, M Reid, S Mackenzie, P Shirtliff, P Miller, M Stuart, C Leaburn, S Grint, R Lee (sub: M Bennett), G Crooks.
TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR: R Mimms; B Statham, M Thomas, T Fenwick, Fairclough, G Mabbutt, C Allen (sub: N Claesen), P Allen, C Waddle, V Samways (sub: J Mergod), S Hodge.
Referee: P Don.

Both sides likely to rue points dropped

By Nicholas Harling

Blackburn Rovers 1
Reading 1

A draw, which might ultimately suit the aspirations of neither side, was the outcome of a predictably competitive second division encounter at Ewood Park yesterday afternoon. Reading dropped not only the two points essential to their own safety, but also lost Whitehurst, their robust centre-forward, sent off for a typically cumbersome late challenge on Hendry.

Hendry's 77th minute equalizer salvaged a point for Rovers which may, however, not be enough to gain them a place in the play-offs unless Millwall, having won the championship, are unusually relaxed at The Den on Saturday. Blackburn need to win there to make sure of a place in the top five, which will hardly comfort them now that they have lost the verve and confidence which recently enabled them to establish a club record of 23 games without defeat.

The way the ball passed frequently across the home goal, after Gennoe had almost allowed a first minute shot from Tait to squirm from his grasp, spoke volumes for his team's lack of composure.

The goalkeeper improved thereafter, getting down quickly to block at close range from Moran and proving equally alert when it came to touching Robson's effort round a post.

Reading were less unnerved by the need for points than their hosts. Ardiles made little impact until the second half, no doubt missing Archibald.

Blackburn's cause was not helped by Miller who missed both Garner's astute centre from the right and the ensuing one from the tricky Sellars, who swept the ball back from the far post. Although Gayle then headed against the bar from a Sellar's corner and Garner, put through by Ardiles, brought Westwood racing from his line to smother, Reading still seemed to have the edge.

A flowing move brought Richardson up to half-volley against the bar just before half-time, and the visitors' supremacy was not long in making itself felt after the interval. Cowling initiated a breakaway down the left and Beavon's cross left Whitehurst with a simple tap-in.

Little more was seen of the Reading attack as Blackburn, freed at last from their inhibitions, piled on the pressure. Diamond, a substitute for the weary Miller, knocked the ball down for Garner to have a fierce volley saved but should then have done much better than put a diving header straight at the goalkeeper after Ardiles had picked him out.

Gayle and Ainscow combined in a move that led to Hendry thumping in his twelfth goal of the season for the equalizer but the Scottish centre-half was soon to have his joy turned into pain as Whitehurst cut him down. Already booked for knocking Ainscow over, Whitehurst must have known what his fate would be: a red card.

BLACKBURN ROVERS: T Gennoe; C Price, A Ainscow, N Reid, C Hendry, D Mail, I Miller (sub: A Diamond), H Gayle, A Ardiles, S Garner, S Sellars.
READING: G Westwood; S Richardson, M Jilkes, S Beavon, M Hicks, K Curle, M Robson (sub: L Taylor), M Tait, W Whitehurst, S Moran, D Cowling.
Referee: R A Hart.

Villa victory adds to the confusion of promotion race

By Dennis Shaw

Aston Villa 1
Bradford City 0

Aston Villa's precarious roller-coaster ride towards their first division objective reached a fleeting high at Villa Park with a goal which ensured that automatic promotion remains a possibility. At worst they, like Bradford City, are now assured of a place in the play-offs.

The decisive strike by Platt, a guided missile header from Gage's lofted centre, dragged Bradford back from second position into the confusing pile-up still to be untangled. The equation of promotion remains a complex one, with second place, now occupied by Middlesbrough, and the exact play-off situation still at the mercy of Saturday's results.

Although Villa were forced to live dangerously for more than an hour with the ever-present fear of conceding an equalizer, Bradford did not rise realistically to that challenge.

The knowledge that their football was intermittently more thoughtful and stylish than Villa's was not enough on a day when emotion and ambition were laid bare.

There were times when sheer will power and the influence of a huge crowd seemed to sweep Villa into an ascendancy which their kick-and-hope football scarcely justified.

Bradford's only hope of remaining in second place in the division came after five minutes when Hendrie hooked a close-range shot just inches over the bar; an ominous moment for Villa, but they breathed again, and hammered a series of long passes upfield, one of which was Gage's decisive pass to the promising young Platt.

In this spell the erratic and rather irritating Aspinall might have had a treble to provide Villa with a far more comfortable ride. After almost threading in a shot from the acutest of angles he missed when all was in his favour and then extricated a superb save from Tomlinson.

Not surprisingly nerve ends were never far from the surface, with the referee, Jim Ashworth, taking the names of Allan and David Evans, McInally and Hendrie.

Graham Taylor, the Villa manager, will have taken heart from the fact that his side were more sure of themselves than in many previous faltering home performances. There was the odd tremor in defence when Bradford used the width of the field to good effect and far too many hurried and speculative passes which went astray, but their mood undeniably had the stamp of victory on it.

ASTON VILLA: N Spink; K Gage, B Gallacher, A Gray, A Evans, S Sims, A McInally, W Aspinall, G Thompson, S Gray, D Platt.
BRADFORD CITY: P Tomlinson; B Mitchell, K Goddard (sub: M Leonard), S McCall, G Oliver, D Evans, J Hendrie, L Sinnott, I Ormondroyd, M Kennedy, R Futcher.
Referee: J Ashworth.

Anfield party spirit is spoilt

By Ian Ross

Liverpool 1
Southampton 1

Liverpool, having already secured the Football League championship, would now appear to be conserving their energies for the FA Cup final against Wimbledon at Wembley on Saturday week.

Honours were shared yesterday in a meaningless match of indifferent quality which did little to enhance the reputation of either side.

Having led his players out to collect the championship trophy before kick-off, Kenny Dalglish returned to the sanctuary of the touchline dug-out, perhaps to ponder the wisdom of revealing in his programme notes the secret of Liverpool's continued success.

After admitting that he was as puzzled as the next man, the Scot whose conversational brevity is almost as legendary as his footballing exploits, concluded: "Whenever Liverpool go out to play a game, they also go out to win it".

Stating the obvious he may have been, but the recipe, however predictable, quite obviously works for this season's triumph was attained with an ease which was almost embarrassing.

Liverpool reduced their supporters to a state of near hysteria by simply strolling around the pitch in the minutes before kick-off. They proceeded to display, in isolated spells, the sort of skill and flamboyance which has set them apart from their contemporaries during the course of a quite remarkable season.

Never particularly impressive when there is nothing of great importance to play for, Liverpool nonetheless dominated with comfort as Southampton played the role of gatecrashers at a very private party.

Inevitably, it was Barnes and Beardsley — the two men who have proved that there is life after Ian Rush — who took the individual honours, leading their respective markers, Forrest and Bond, a merry dance by indulging in arrogant trickery.

Despite their failure to land a single shot on target in the opening half-hour, Liverpool led at the interval courtesy of an Aldridge goal after 42 minutes, the Republic of Ireland international side-footing home from three feet after Barnes had cut a cross back from the bye-line at the end of a typically mazy run.

Liverpool's failure to find the extra gear in which they have coasted since the turn of the year was, however, punished midway through the second half when a rare Southampton raid led to the most unlikely of equalizers.

Having stretched Liverpool at the back, Clarke clipped the ball across the penalty area and Rodney Wallace quite splendidly volleyed home from 12 yards for his first senior goal.

LIVERPOOL: B Grobbelaar; G Gillespie, G Ablett, S Nicol, N Spackman (sub: R Whelan), A Hansen, P Beardsley, J Aldridge, R Houghton, J Barnes, S McMahon (sub: C Johnston).
SOUTHAMPTON: J Burridge; G Forrest, D Statham, J Case, K Moore, K Bond, R Wallace, G Baker, C Clarke, A Townsend (sub: G Cockerill), D Wallace.
Referee: K Redfern.

Albion move on

West Bromich Albion, of the second division, are to sell their training ground for £300,000. Some of the money is to be reinvested in a new training site near The Hawthorns.

Wolves claim the title to begin the long haul

By Clive White

The long, hopeful haul back to the top was begun yesterday by Wolverhampton Wanderers when they clinched the fourth division title, thereby becoming the first club to lift the titles of all four divisions. Sunderland, who have also known rather more distinguished days, were officially confirmed as third division champions.

It was not the only record that Wolves set. In defeating Hartlepool 2-0 at Molineux through two goals by Bull, Mark Kendall, their goalkeeper, kept his 26th cleen sheet of the season, beating the record of Noel George, set in 1923-24. Bull's brace took his tally for the season to 52.

Walsall's 3-0 defeat at Bristol Rovers enabled Brighton, who got a point at Chester, to move into second place and contemplate a quick return to the second division. Walsall, who finished the match against 10 men after Alexander, the Rovers full back, was sent off, must hope that the Bristol club can be just as difficult away from home: Rovers play at Brighton next Saturday, while Walsall are at home to Gillingham.

While promotion matters were sorting themselves out in the third division — Wigan Athletic said goodbye to a place in the play-offs with a home defeat to struggling Grimsby Town — there is a desperate scramble for the last place in the fourth division play-offs. Leyton Orient's 2-1 defeat at Tranmere Rovers offered five other clubs the chance of escape — Colchester United, Peterborough United, Swansea City and even Wrexham in 12th place.

Cardiff City guaranteed themselves promotion to the third division with a 2-0 win over Crewe Alexandra, while the third promotion position is being fought out by three clubs, Bolton Wanderers, Torquay United and Scunthorpe United.

Joyce, of Preston North End, was sent off for punching an opponent in the third division match at Aldershot.

Palace dogged by paucity of talent

By Martin Searby

Leeds United 1
Crystal Palace 0

The fate of Crystal Palace lies in the hands of Blackburn Rovers who, if they win their final match, will consign the London club to the second division next season, whatever their own result.

When all is said and done, the fact remains that Palace have not beaten any of the teams above them in the League away from home and they produced an impotent display at muddy Elland Road, where Sheridan's 21st-minute penalty was decisive.

The Leeds supporters took great delight in singing "staying down, staying down" and Palace never really looked the part. Their two frontrunners, Bright and Wright, are undoubtedly athletic but they have a paucity of talent in midfield which may be because Pennyfather came from Southend, Redfearn from Doncaster and Thomas from Rochdale. Certainly they were never able to produce balls of similar quality to those provided by Sheridan, nor could match the combativeness of Batty and Stiles.

The penalty came when Sheridan's incisive ball would have found Snodin had he not been brought down by Redfearn, who had an unhappy time.

In the mud the tackling was often rough and tough and four men were booked, two from each side, although it should be said that when Wright collided with Swan he went down like a shot rabbit and looked as though he would never walk again. In fact, he was soon as industrious as ever but his shooting and that of his colleague, who have 48 between them this season, was off target.

Wright, when four yards out, hit his shot so square that it was turned behind by Swan; Redfearn drove the ball over from Wright's short square pass inside the penalty area; and then Bright provided the best ball of the match for his partner, who was over elaborate and allowed Day to race from his goal and seize the ball.

It was not a football feast by any means, with neither side looking as though they were going to make much of a threat to the first division.

Leeds' lowest crowd of the season, just over 13,000, stayed at the end to chant for Billy Bremner, who was away on a scouting mission, presumably looking for the talent to replace Sheridan when he inevitably leaves.

Steve Coppell must also do the same if his side is to make a challenge for the first division next season, for the present personnel simply are not good enough.

LEEDS UTD: M Day; V Brockie, M Adams, J Stiles (sub: M Aizlewood), P Swan, D Rennie, D Batty, J Sheridan, I Baird, P Maguire, G Snodin.
CRYSTAL PALACE: P Suckling; A Finnigan, D Burke, G Pennyfather, G Nebbeling, J Cannon, N Redfearn (sub: J Salako), G Thomas, M Bright, I Wright, P Barber.
Referee: K Barratt.

Glory days return to Lincoln

By Paul Newman

Lincoln City, whose season ended in despair a year ago when they became the first club to be automatically relegated from the Football League, regained their place in the fourth division at the first attempt yesterday, when they won the GM Vauxhall Conference championship.

A Conference record crowd of 9,432 saw Lincoln win 2-0 at home to Wycombe Wanderers. Sertori, a substitute, headed in a corner by Clarke after 26 minutes and Brown's 20th goal of the season after 62 minutes secured victory.

Lincoln, who now take Newport County's place in the fourth division, had to win to make sure of the championship as Barnet, whom they had overtaken on Saturday, won 2-0 away to Welling United yesterday.

Watched by a record Welling crowd of 2,517, Barnet took the points in the second half through a penalty by Sansom and an injury time own-goal by Burgess.

The two matches put the seal on a remarkable season in which both Barnet and Lincoln, who between them had dominated almost the whole campaign, faltered badly in the closing stages. Barnet in particular suffered, losing six of their last 15 matches. The situation is a repeat of last year for Barnet, who lost the Conference leadership to Scarborough, the eventual champions, five weeks before the end of the season.

The two remaining promotion places into the Conference — Yeovil had already secured the third by winning the Vauxhall Opel League championship — will be filled by Chorley and either Dartford or Aylesbury United.

A draw away to Matlock Town yesterday was enough to give Chorley the Northern Premier League championship but Aylesbury, who drew 1-1 at Cambridge City, will need to draw away to VS Rugby in their final match on Thursday to win the Beazer Homes League title. Dartford beat Fareham Town 2-0 yesterday in their final match to go one point clear of Aylesbury at the top of the table. Aylesbury, however, have the better goal difference.

French ruling on foreigners

More foreign players could be signed up by French teams as the result of a rule change which is expected to come into force next year. The presidents of the 56 French first and second division clubs, who met in Paris at the weekend, agreed to scrap a rule restricting teams to two foreign players for League matches.

Instead, they want clubs to be allowed to field up to four players who do not qualify for selection for the French national team. At present, players from former French colonies are not considered to be foreigners by the French federation, and are free to play in the League.

Under the rule change they will be classed as foreigners because they are ineligible for the French national side. The federation is expected to approve the rule change in July and it would come into effect for the 1989-90 season. Many French clubs are expected to use the rule to sign more foreign players.

Meanwhile Monaco and Bordeaux, who head the French League, held off challenges from from Matra Racing and Brest respectively on Saturday. Monaco won 3-0, with Hoddle scoring, while Bordeaux pushed Brest further down the table with a 2-0 victory.

In The Netherlands, the relegation from the first division of Den Haag, who have a history of crowd trouble, has been welcomed by the Dutch football federation. Rob de Leede, a federation spokesman, said: "Fewer fans will probably follow Den Haag games in the second division and that often means less trouble." The Hague club was consigned to its fate by a 3-0 defeat by Groningen on Sunday.

PSV Eindhoven, already crowned Dutch champions, celebrated with a 6-2 trouncing of Sparta. Wim Kieft, the PSV forward, scored four goals.

Ruud Gullit, the Dutch forward who plays in Italy for AC Milan, propelled his club to the top of the first division with a 3-2 win away to the defending champions, Napoli. Gullit supplied Van Basten for the winning goal, 11 minutes from time. Earlier the Dutchman had set up Virdis's two goals for Milan, who have a one-point lead with two games remaining. Napoli, who had led the League since October, slip to second place.

Werder Bremen, in West Germany, moved closer to their domesuic title with with a 2-0 victory over Borussia Moenchengladbach. Last season's champions, Bayern Munich, crashed 3-1 at Kaiserslautern. Bremen have a six-point lead with four games to play. Cologne, in second place, could only draw 1-1 at home against Eintracht Frankfurt.

In Portugal, Porto widened their lead over the European Cup finalists, Benfica, at the top of the first division to nine points with a 5-1 win at Salgueiros. Benfica drew 1-1 at Academica.

OVERSEAS LEAGUE RESULTS

ARGENTINIAN: Estudiantes de la Plata 1, Racing de Cordoba 1; Ferro Carril Oeste 2, Rosario Central 3; Union de Santa Fe 3, Deportivo Armenio 1; Racing Club 2, Velez Sarsfield 1; Talleres de Cordoba 1, Deportivo Espanol 0; Boca Juniors 2, River Plate 2; Banfield 2, Instituto de Cordoba 2; San Lorenzo 2, Independiente 0; Platense 1, Argentinos Juniors 0; Newell's Old Boys 1, Gimnasia y Esgrima 0. Leading positions: 1, Newell's Old Boys, played 34, 48pts; 2, San Lorenzo 34, 45; 3, Racing Club, 34, 43.

AUSTRIAN: Sturm Graz 2, Admira Wacker Wien 0; Rapid Vienna 3, Vienna 1; FK Tyrol 0, Graz AK 0; Wiener SK 1, Austria Wien 6. Leading positions: 1, Rapid Vienna, played 30, 46pts; 2, Austria Wien, 30, 38; 3, Sturm Graz, 35.

BELGIAN: Antwerp 1, Beveren 1; Kortrijk 0, Ghent 0; Racing Jet 0, Winterslag 1; Charleroi 2, Beerschot 1; Lokeren 2, Molenbeek 1; Mechelen 0, Waregem 0; Club Bruges 3, FC Liege 1; Standard Liege 0, Anderlecht 2; St Trudden 0, Cercle Bruges 2. Leading positions: 1, Club Bruges, played 31, 43pts; 2, Mechelen, 31, 45; 3, Antwerp, 31, 45.

CZECHOSLOVAK: Slavia Prague 2, Tatran Presov 0; TJ Vitkovice 1, Spartak Trnava 1; Inter Bratislava 2, Spartak Hradec Kralove 3; Dukla Banska Bystrica 1, Sigma Olomouc 0; DAC Dunajska Streda 1, Banik Ostrava 0; ZVL Zilina 0, Dukla Prague 0; Plastika Nitra 1, Sparta Prague 0; Bohemians Prague 2, RH Cheb 1. Leading positions: 1, Sparta Prague, played 22, 36pts; 2, DAC Dunajska Streda, 22, 28; 3, Dukla Prague, 22, 25.

DUTCH: Den Bosch 1, DS '79 0; PSV Eindhoven 6, Sparta 2; FC Twente 1, Roda JC 0; FC Utrecht 3, AZ Alkmaar 2; Ajax 3, Haarlem 1; Fortuna 0, PEC Zwolle 2; Volendam 1, Willem II 5; VVV 2, Feyenoord 0. Leading positions: 1, PSV, played 33, 57pts; 2, Ajax, 33, 50; 3, FC Twente, 33, 39.

FRENCH: Toulouse 2, Metz 0; Paris St Germain 0, Nice 4; Nicet 1, Nantes 3; Monaco 3, Racing Paris 0; Cannes 1, St Etienne 0; Bordeaux 2, Brest 0; Toulon 3, Lille 0; Lens 1, Laval 2; Le Havre 1, Marseille 0; Montpellier 2, Auxerre 2. Leading positions: 1, Monaco, played 33, 46pts; 2, Bordeaux, 33, 41; 3, Racing, 33, 38.

GREEK: Kalamaria 2, Verria 0; Aris 2, Panathelki 1; Diagoras 0, Olympiakos 0; Ethnikos 0, AEK 3; Larissa 1, Iraklis 0; OFI 2, PAOK 2; Panathinaikos 6, Panionios 2; Panseraikos 1, Levadiakos 0. Leading positions: 1, Larissa, played 29, 42pts; 2, PAOK, 29, 38; 3, AEK, 29, 38.

HUNGARIAN: Ujpesti Dozsa 3, Szombathelyi Haladas 0; Kaposvari Rackoczi 2, Kataharya 2; Bekescsaba 1, Videoton 1; Vac 2, Ferencvaros 1; Debrecan 3, Pecs 0; Vasas 3, Siolok 0; MTK-VM 3, Raba Eto 3; Honved 1, Zalaegerszegi 0. Leading positions: 1, Honved, played 24, 34pts; 2, Tatabanya, 24, 31; 3, Ujpesti Dozsa, 24, 31.

ITALIAN: Ascoli 2, Avellino 0; Como 2, Pescara 1; Empoli 1, Verona 0; Internazionale 3, Sampdoria 1; Juventus 2, Torino 1; Napoli 2, Milan 3; Pisa 1, Cesena 0; Roma 2, Fiorentina 1. Leading positions: 1, AC Milan, played 28, 43pts; 2, Napoli, 28, 42; 3, Roma, 28, 36.

POLISH: Baltyk Gdynia 0, Lechia Gdansk 0; Pogon Szczecin 1, Widzew Lodz 1; Zaglebie Lubin 1, Legia Warszawa 2; Szal Stalowa Wola 0, Jagielonia Bialystok 0; LKS Lodz 1, Szombierki Bytom 0; Gornik Zabrze 2, Lech Poznan 1; Olimpia Poznan 0, Slask Wroclaw 0; Gornik Walbrzych 0, GKS Katowice 0. Leading positions: 1, Gornik Zabrze, played 23, 39pts; 2, Legia Warszawa, 23, 32; 3, LKS Lodz, 23, 31.

PORTUGUESE: Benfica 1, Academica 1; Salgueiros 1, Porto 5; Belenenses 4, Farense 1; Guimaraes 0, Espinho 1; Boavista 6, Rio Ave 0; Covilha 0, Chaves 1; Setubal 1, Elvas 0; Maritimo 1, Braga 1; Portimonense 1, Sporting Lisbon 1; Varzim 3, Penafiel 4. Leading positions: 1, Porto, played 32, 55pts; 2, Benfica, 32, 46; 3, Boavista, 32, 40.

SOVIET: Zenit Leningrad 2, Kairat Alma Ata 1; Jalgiris Wilna 2, Metallist Kharkov 1; Neftschi Baku 2, Chernomorets Odessa 0; Dynamo Tbilisi 2, Shakhtyor Donetsk 0; Lokomotiv Moscow 1, Torpedo Moscow 1; Ararat Erevan 0, Dnepr Dnepropetrovsk 0. Leading positions: 1, Zenit Leningrad, played 8, 11pts, 2, Jalgiris Wilna, 8, 11; 3, Dynamo Kiev, 8, 10.

SPANISH: Barcelona 2, Real Madrid 0; Celta 1, Zaragoza 1; Atletico Madrid 1, Espanol 1; Betis 2, Gijon 0; Logrones 0, Osasuna 1; Mallorca 0, Las Palmas 0; Sabadell 2, Sevilla 1; Cadiz 2, Real Sociedad 2; Athletic Bilbao 1, Valencia 1; Murcia 1, Valladolid 1. Leading positions: 1, Real Madrid played 35, 57pts; 2, Real Sociedad, 35, 47; 3, Atletico Madrid, 35, 43.

SWISS: Lausanne 0, Aarau 0; Lucerne 1, Neuchatel Xamax 1; Servette 1, Grasshoppers Zurich 0; Young Boys 5, St Gallen 1. Leading positions: 1, Neuchatel Xamax, played 9, 28pts; 2, Aarau, 9, 25; 3, Servette, 9, 23.

WEST GERMAN LEAGUE: Werder Bremen 2, Borussia Mönchengladbach 0; Kaiserslautern 3, Bayern Munich 1; Bayer Uerdingen 4, Bayer Leverkusen 1; Stuttgart 5, Hamburg SV 1; Hanover 5, FC Homburg 1; Bochum 2, Borussia Dortmund 0; Schalke 0, Nuremberg 0; Cologne 1, Eintracht Frankfurt 1; Karlsruhe 1, Waldhof Mannheim 1. Leading positions: 1, Werder Bremen, played 30, 46pts; 2, FC Cologne, 30, 42; 3, Bayern Munich, 30, 41.

YUGOSLAV: Vojvodina Novi Sad 0, Red Star Belgrade 1; Rijeka 3, Hajduk Split 1; Sarajevo 3, Osijek 0; Partizan Belgrade 3, Pristina 1; Buducnost Titograd 4, Red Belgrade 1; Dinamo Zagreb 1, Radnicki Nis 0; Velez Mostar 5, Vardar Skopje 0; Celik Zenica 3, Zeljeznicar Sarajevo 0; Sloboda Tuzla 1, Sutjeska Nikisic 0. Leading positions: 1, Velez, played 27, 36pts; 2, Red Star, 27, 34; 3, Dinamo, 27, 33.

YESTERDAY'S FOOTBALL RESULTS AND TABLES

Barclays League

First division

ARSENAL	(1)	1	COVENTRY	(1)	1
Marwood pen			Smith 16,963		
CHARLTON	(0)	1	TOTTNHAM	(0)	1
Reid pen			Hodge 13,977		
DERBY	(0)	0	EVERTON	(0)	0
			17,974		
LIVRPOOL	(1)	1	STHAMPTN	(0)	1
Aldridge			Wallace 37,610		
LUTON	(2)	2	WATFORD	(1)	1
Oldfield, Wilson pen			M Johnson og 10,409		
OXFORD	(0)	0	MAN UTD	(2)	2
8,966			Anderson, Strachan		
PORTSMTH	(0)	1	NEWCSTLE	(1)	2
Quinn 12,468			Scott, Lormor		
WEST HAM	(2)	4	CHELSEA	(0)	1
Rosenior (2), Hilton, Cottee			West 28,521		

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Liverpool	38	25	11	2	81	22	86
Man Utd	38	21	12	5	65	36	75
Everton	39	19	13	7	52	25	70
QPR	39	19	9	11	48	38	66
Notm For	38	18	11	7	58	34	65
Arsenal	39	17	12	10	56	38	63
Wimbledon	37	13	14	10	55	44	53
Newcastle	39	13	14	12	53	52	53
Coventry	39	13	13	13	46	53	52
Sheff Wed	38	15	7	16	50	60	52
Luton	35	14	7	14	52	52	49
Southmptn	39	12	13	14	48	52	49
Norwich	38	12	9	17	40	49	45
Tottenham	39	11	11	17	35	47	44
Derby Cnty	40	10	13	17	35	45	43
West Ham	39	9	15	15	40	50	42
Charlton	39	9	14	16	37	51	41
Chelsea	39	9	14	16	49	67	41
Portsmth	39	7	14	18	35	62	35
Watford	40	7	11	22	27	51	32
Oxford	39	6	13	20	41	75	31

GM Vauxhall Conference

ALTRNCHM	(2)	6	DAGENHAM	(0)	0
Ellis 2, Johnson Stewart 2, Dawes			971		
CHELTNHM	(0)	1	SUTTON U	(0)	1
Vercas			McKinnon 1,225		
LINCOLN	(1)	2	WYCOMBE	(0)	0
Sertori			9,432		
Brown					
NORTHWCH	(0)	0	WLDSTONE	(0)	0
			474		
STAFFORD	(2)	3	BOSTON	(2)	4
Turley 2, Derbyshire			Ward 2, Cook, Baines 822		
WELLING	(0)	0	BARNET	(0)	2
2,517			Sansom pen Burgess og		
WEYMOUTH	(1)	1	ENFIELD	(0)	3
Wardiello 1,035			Furlong 2 Francis		

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Lincoln	42	24	10	8	86	48	82
Barnet	42	23	11	8	93	45	80
Kettering	41	22	9	10	68	47	75
Runcorn	41	20	11	10	67	47	71
Telford	42	20	10	12	65	50	70
Stafford R	42	20	9	13	79	58	69
Kidrmnstr	42	18	15	9	75	66	69
Sutton Utd	42	16	18	8	77	54	66
Weymouth	42	18	10	14	53	42	64
Macclesfld	42	18	9	15	64	62	63
Maidstone	41	17	9	15	76	63	60
Enfield	42	15	10	17	68	78	55
Cheltnham	42	11	20	11	64	67	53
Altrncham	42	14	10	18	59	59	52
Fisher Ath	42	13	13	16	58	61	52
Boston	41	14	7	20	60	68	49
Northwich	41	9	17	15	40	57	44
Wycombe	42	10	14	18	49	78	44
Welling Utd	42	11	9	22	50	72	42
Bath	42	9	10	23	48	76	37
Wealdstone	41	5	17	19	38	73	32
Dagenham	42	5	6	31	37	104	21

Second division

A VILLA	(1)	1	BRADFORD	(0)	0
Platt			36,423		
BARNSLEY	(0)	0	MDDLSBRO	(2)	3
13,240			Ripley, Slaven (2)		
BLACKBRN	(0)	1	READING	(0)	1
Hendry			Whitehurst 11,373		
BOURNMTH	(2)	2	SWINDON	(0)	0
Newson pen, Close			6,500		
HULL	(0)	0	MILLWALL	(1)	1
10,811			O'Callaghan pen		
IPSWICH	(0)	1	BIRMGHM	(0)	0
Atkinson			11,067		
LEEDS	(1)	1	C PALACE	(0)	0
Sheridan pen			13,217		
MAN CITY	(2)	4	WBA	(1)	2
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Bradford	43	22	11	10	72	51	77
Blackburn	43	20	14	9	64	51	74
Crystal Pal	43	21	9	13	64	59	72
Leeds Utd	43	19	11	13	61	51	68
Man City	43	19	8	16	80	58	65
Ipswich	43	18	9	16	58	50	63
Oldham	43	17	11	15	70	64	62
Stoke	44	17	11	16	60	57	62
Swindon	43	15	10	17	73	60	58
Plymouth	43	16	8	19	64	65	56
Barnsley	43	15	11	17	59	60	56
Hull	43	14	14	15	54	60	56
Leicester	42	14	11	17	57	60	53
Bournemth	43	13	10	20	56	66	49
Birmingham	43	11	14	18	41	66	47
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"Sport accounts for half our calls," he says, "and although cricket, football and American football, among others, are popular, horse-racing is the single most important sector."

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George Rae

Rosenoir's goals leave Chelsea counting the cost

By Stuart Jones
Football Correspondent

West Ham	4
Chelsea	1

Leroy Rosenoir gloriously ushered West Ham away from the threat of relegation at Upton Park yesterday morning before walking off in personal disgrace.

After building a substantial platform for his club's survival in the first division, Rosenior was sent off for retaliation some 25 minutes from the end.

Rosenoir has already more than repaid his transfer fee of £275,000: in scoring his fourth and fifth goals in eight games since moving from Fulham, he has saved West Ham from a potential loss of £500,000.

Chelsea, overwhelmed until he departed, may still pay the cost of competing in the second division. With only one victory in their last 25 League fixtures, they must beat Charlton Athletic at home on Saturday to avoid the dreaded play-offs.

They deserve no more. Ill-disciplined themselves (Dorigo, Hazard, Clarke, and McLaughlin were all booked), they capitulated feebly. Consumed by West Ham's roaring fire and blown away by the strong wind, Chelsea were compressed within their own territory almost throughout the first half and responded only when it was far too late.

John Lyall, who was in charge when West Ham last dropped out of the first division a decade ago, was in danger of leading them in the same direction. Unable to attract a suitable replacement for McAvennie, only once before this season had his side claimed more than two goals in a match.

Rosenoir arrived just in time to provide sufficient support for Cottee. The final game at Newcastle next weekend, which would have been enveloped in heavy nervous tension had West Ham required another point, has been transformed into a carefree journey.

"We needed a top quality performance after the defeat at Southampton on Saturday, and we got it, particularly in the first half," Lyall said. "Rosenoir was silly to react like that, but we were in control even then. McAlister, Hilton and Gale came up trumps when Chelsea came at us towards the end."

West Ham's ideas were channelled principally through Ward on the right flank. Dorigo, an England under-21 international, was utterly unable to cope with the fiery winger. Cautioned for the third of his early crude challenges, he and his Chelsea colleagues then resembled driftwood in a stormy sea.

Rosenoir, with a couple of right-footed drives in the fifteenth and 35th minutes, converted two of numerous opportunities. Hazard had limped away with damaged ligaments in both ankles, and almost certainly out of Chelsea's closing game, before Hilton added a third after Rosenoir's header had been cleared off the line.

Rosenoir's temper was cracked by Wicks's shuddering tackling from behind and broken immediately when Clarke clipped his legs. After grabbing the Scot around the throat to be dismissed for the first time in his career, Rosenoir promised not to do it again.

Chelsea, stirred at last, were given some empty consolation by their substitute, West, but West Ham (for whom Robson and Parris were booked) responded immediately, Cottee claiming their fourth with a stooping header.

WEST HAM UNITED: T McAlister; G Parris, J Dicks, S Potts, P Hilton, A Gale, M Ward, A Dickens, L Rosenoir, A Cottee, S Robson.

CHELSEA: K Hitchcock; G Hall, A Dorigo, S Wicks, J McLaughlin, S Clarke, P Nevin, M Hazard (sub: West), K Dixon, G Durie, J Bumstead.
Referee: D Scott.



Getting to grips: Rosenior (left) retaliates against Clarke (Photograph: Ian Stewart)

Griffiths slips allow Davis back into lead

By Steve Acteson

Steve Davis regained his grip on the Embassy world professional snooker championship final at the end of the third session at Sheffield yesterday, as he moved ahead by 14 frames to 10 — just four frames from victory against Terry Griffiths.

Davis had had plenty to think about overnight, because on Sunday evening Griffiths, playing in his first world final since winning the title in his debut year of 1979, had turned the match around from 5-2 to stand level at 8-8.

Yesterday, Davis, drawing on the experience of six previous world finals, put his night's thoughts into effect after Griffiths, whose errors had been the highlight (if that is the word) of Sunday's first session, blundered again in yesterday's opening frame.

He led 49-4 and then 53-33 on the final yellow, but lost out in a sharp safety exchange before Davis cleared the colours to calm his early nerves and snatch the frame by just seven points, 60-53.

The opening frame had taken 43 minutes, and the second was only five minutes shorter. Once again it was Davis, midway through a winning spurt of three frames, who emerged the stronger from the tactical exchanges and, at times, glaring misses by both players.

Having trailed 37-0, Griffiths was given the opening for a break of 33 which he ruined by missing the blue in the left-hand middle pocket. He failed to sink another ball before Davis won the frame on the blue and then went on to dominate an equally scrappy 19th frame 74-8.

Griffiths looked as if he was fading badly again, but he rekindled his supporters' hopes with a run of 46 to win the 20th frame by 68-10 and pull up to two frames behind at 11-9.

Davis, his thoughts more on the championship trophy than the winner's cheque for £95,000 (after all, he earns around £1 million a year), struck breaks of 33 and 36 to take the 21st frame 70-9 before, once again, Griffiths proved his own worst enemy in the 22nd frame.

Given another chance for a winning break, his woeful attempt at a red helped Davis move 45-19 in front, but the frame still had a sting in its tail. Griffiths, 59-23 behind, laid an immaculate snooker on the final red, and Davis not only failed to escape but left a free ball.

Griffiths knocked in three balls but then missed the black off its spot, and Davis again punished the error by sweeping home the colours to move 13-9 in front.

Griffiths, however, then struck a break of 57 to win frame No. 23 by 78-9 and so reduced his arrears again to three frames, only to inflict another wound upon himself when, leading 41-0 after a break of 33, he took on a hazardous red, missed it, and Davis ran in a 92 clearance to end the session in style.

Griffiths, the No. 6 seed, had disappointed the hopes of those snooker followers who were relishing the idea of another Davis v Jimmy White final encounter when he beat the world No. 2 by 16 frames to 11 in Saturday's semi-final.

The error-strewn way in which Griffiths began the final on Sunday suggested a processional victory for Davis, before Griffiths began a superb winning run

RESULTS: Final: S Davis (Eng) leads T Griffiths (Wal) 14-10. Frame scores (Davis first): 46-71, 53-52, 64-21, 76-25, 80-22, 78-0, 1-86, 57-60, 83-8, 81-0, 22-79, 9-82, 60-63, 81-70, 87-9, 8-111, 80-53, 56-33, 74-8, 10-88, 70-9, 86-31, 9-78, 92-41.

Portsmouth return to second division

By Clive White

After waiting for 28 years to get back into the first division, Portsmouth were promptly returned yesterday from whence they came. No doubt disheartened when morning results at Upton Park and Selhurst Park failed to oblige, Portsmouth tamely submitted in a 2-1 defeat to Newcastle United

While it is certain that Alan Ball's side, Oxford United and Watford are going down it is not yet clear who is coming up, other than Millwall. With a fine 3-0 win at Barnsley, Middlesbrough overtook Bradford City to move into second place; if they beat Leicester City at home next Saturday promotion is guaranteed.

Graham Taylor, the Aston Villa manager, must have been expecting a rather greater reward than a place in the play-offs for their 1-0 defeat of Bradford. Like Villa, Bradford, who have waited 66 years to return to the first division, may have to content themselves with a place in the play-offs.

Despite losing 1-0 at Leeds, Crystal Palace also still cling to the dream of a life in the first division — thanks to the inability of Blackburn Rovers to register no more than a 1-1 draw at home to Reading.

Manchester United are virtually assured of the runners-up position in the first division after winning 2-0

● Ken Bates, the Chelsea chairman, announced yesterday that he had written to all first and second division clubs seeking their support at the annual meeting on June 3 for a return to 22 clubs in the first division.

Millwall crown season with their goal of the century

By Peter Ball

Hull City	0
Millwall	1

In a suitably Wagnerian setting, their army of supporters providing an emphatic chorus as they bayed menacingly in the background and thunder rolled round a leaden sky, Millwall made certain of entering the first division for the first time in their 103-year history.

To crown their day, they will go up as champions, Bradford's defeat meaning they cannot be caught. By the time that that news emerged the backdrop had changed, the sun emerging to bathe the ground as Millwall took a lap of honour in front of their rejoicing followers while a group did a conga in the centre circle.

Afterwards a delighted John Docherty, the Millwall manager, greeted the news of the championship by saying: "That's the icing on the cake. It was about nerve, character and discipline and we are full of it. It is very emotional to take a club like Millwall up to the first division."

If the occasion itself was dramatic, the game demanded few heroics. Instead Millwall were highly competent, putting a stranglehold on things from the moment they took the lead in the eleventh minute.

The goal itself might have been of dubious origin, O'Callaghan scoring confidently from the penalty spot after Brown, possibly inadvertently, had handled Sheringham's diving header on the line. But any doubts about the justice of the award could not extend to the correctness of the result as Hull held out against further blows by a combination of luck and Norman's acrobatics.

Sheringham and Cascarino dominated the Hull penalty area, especially in the air. Behind them Briley and Hurlock, hair flowing as he stalked across the pitch like an avenging warrior, took control of midfield, harrying and chasing Hull into submission.

Millwall should have had it won by half-time. On the half-hour Sheringham rose to O'Callaghan's precise cross to see his header bounce out off a post, with Norman stranded. From the resulting corner Brown again was needed to clear off the line, this time from Cascarino, and this time legally.

The story continued in the second half, Norman saving splendidly from Cascarino and another header from the big Irish international flying to safety off Skipper. Against that Horne had only one save to make, an early one from Saville as, for once, Hull found a way through the solid Millwall back four.

HULL CITY: A Norman; N Brown, P Heard, R Jobson, P Skipper, A Payton (sub: T Hotel), G Roberts, A Saville, K Edwards, R Daniel, P Barnes (sub: K De Mange).
MILLWALL: B Horne; K Stevens, A Coleman, T Hurlock, S Woods, A McLeary, J Carter, L Briley, T Sheringham, A Cascarino, K O'Callaghan.
Referee: S J Lodge.

Prophecy from Moses

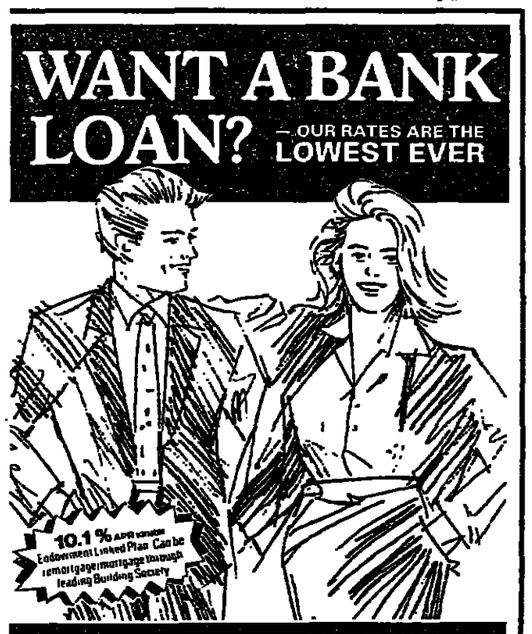
Antibes, France — Ed Moses, the world and Olympic 400m hurdles champion, said yesterday that he foresaw serious problems for world athletics if Zola Budd's status as an international competitor is not resolved soon (Simon O'Hagan writes).

Moses, speaking at a conference to mark the continuation of the Goodwill Games into the 1990s, said: "I've competed at meetings with her in the past and it's been no problem, but if the situation continues as it is it's going to cause a problem.

"As far as most athletes are concerned, she is a British citizen, regardless of the way she obtained her passport. But I don't think any would be prepared to sacrifice a place in the Olympic Games over one person."

It would be ironic if the politicians were to exploit the Goodwill Games, first held in 1986 in Moscow as a direct response to the Olympics of 1980 and 1984, which the Americans and the Russians each took turns to boycott.

Whether the idealism survives until the Seattle Games of 1990, or, indeed, the games scheduled for the Soviet Union in 1994 and the United States in 1998, is another matter.



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Positive blood testing disqualifies Apollo

By Jenny MacArthur

Nick Skelton's top horse, Apollo, his likely ride for the Olympic Games in Seoul later this year, has been disqualified from all competitions at the Toronto international horse show last November following a positive blood test. Apollo was a member of the British team which came second in the Nations Cup event and was also placed in two other classes.

At the same sitting, the judicial committee of the Fédération Equestre Internationale, the sport's governing body, has disqualified Everest Armani, ridden by Emma Mac, from all competitions at the Hanover international show in West Germany last year following a positive drugs test for procaine.

Mac has to pay only a token fine of $100 since the person responsible "did not intend to secure an unfair advantage", according to the committee.

No further penalty is to be imposed on Skelton because there is evidence that Apollo, who was found positive for the sedatives, Promazine Sulphoxide-metabolite of Acepromazine, had been "got at", while at the show.

A mysterious swelling appeared on the horse's neck and there was a lack of security in the stable area at the show. John McEwen, the British team vet, said yesterday: "The last thing that Apollo needs is a sedative — he needs to be really sharp to win competitions."

Skelton was unavailable for comment yesterday.

Badminton quandary, page 38

Tomorrow *The Times* presents the chance for four of our readers to win a playing place in the Wang Four Stars national pro-celebrity tournament at Moor Park next month.

SPORT IN BRIEF

Cash for Queen's

Pat Cash starts his grass-court preparation for the defence of his Wimbledon title in the Stella Artois championships at Queen's Club from June 6 to 12.

Cash, will be joined by last year's winner, Boris Becker, Jimmy Connors and Stefan Edberg, of Sweden, in the chase for the £27,000 top prize.

Yacht disaster

Barracuda of Tarrent, the yacht that stars in the BBC series, *Howard's Way*, sank off Bembridge, Isle of Wight, yesterday while returning from the cross-Channel race from Cowes to Ouisstreham. It was later salvaged.

Title offer

Duke McKenzie, the European flyweight champion from Croydon, has been offered the chance to box for Sot Chitalada's WBC world title in Bangkok on July 31. But McKenzie's manager, Mickey Duff, has asked for the contest to go out to purse offers.



Cash: Wimbledon tune-up

Hockey hosts

Brisbane (AP) — Australia will host the 1990 Champions Trophy hockey tournament, it was announced yesterday. The tournament will be held in Melbourne, and will be contested by the six leading nations in the world.

Skating name

Wilf O'Reilly, the winner of two demonstration gold medals for speed skating in the Calgary Olympics, lines up for Britain in a four-way match against the United States, the Soviet Union and Canada, at Bracknell today and tomorrow.

Butler boost

Steve Butler, the badminton player who is recovering from chicken pox, is included in the England men's squad for the Thomas Cup in Malaysia from May 23 to June 4. But he may not be fit for a warm-up international against Denmark and Sweden in Denmark from May 9-10.

Ground found

York Rugby League Club are hoping to move to a new £2 million sports centre. The club sold their ground and training facilities for a total of £900,000 to clear off debts and are negotiating for a new site within a sports complex

Win formula

Jyrki Jarvilehto regained the initiative in the battle for the Lucas British formula three title yesterday at Silverstone. The Finnish driver fought his way from third place at the end of the first lap to beat his closest rival, Martin Donnelly. With the fastest lap to his credit, he now shares the championship lead with Donnelly.

Pontypool taken by surprise

The resignation of the coach, Bobby Windsor, came as a surprise to the Pontypool club (Owen Jenkins writes). Under Windsor and Goff Davies, Pontypool won both the unofficial club championship and the merit table

Increasing work commitments led to Windsor's decision. The Pontypool match secretary, Ivor Taylor, summed up the club's position: "It's very disappointing because Bobby and Goff have turned the club right round. Bobby's contribution has been immense, but he obviously can't now devote most of his leisure time to a job which offers no monetary reward."

Windsor had been coach for one season, and Pontypool hope to announce his successor in time for the club's tour of Germany in two weeks' time. Favourites for the post are the former club captain, John Perkins, and Tony Faulkner.

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